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JAPANESE MOVE TO SEIZE RAILWAYS

British Bond Holders May Be Vitally Affected

Tokyo, To-day.

A final decision has been reached by the all-powerful official Japanese Asia Development Board for the establishment of a "North China Transportation Company," which will control all the important railways and motor-bus routes in North China under Japanese control, reports the "Nichi Nichi Shimbun." The railways include the Tientsin-Pukow Railway and the Peiping-Paotow Railway.

The Company will be established under the Chinese system of incorporation and will be capitalised at Y300,000,000 in 6,000,000 shares at Y40 each.

The ratio of investment has been fixed as: North China Development Company (an official Japanese corporation), Y150,000,000 in kind; the Provisional

Government, Y30,000,000 in face value, and the South Manchuria Railway Company, Y120,000,000 in face value.

As to cash payments by the Provisional Government and the Railway Company, the Company will call up about 1/5 within the present financial year, which expires at the end of March, and 1/4 during the next financial year.

LUNGHAI LINE

It has not yet been decided, however, whether the Lung-Hai Railway will be placed under the Company's control. At present, this railway is under Japanese military control from Lienyukuang, easternmost seaport of Kiangsu Province, to Kaifeng, the capital of Honan Province.

In line with this project, a plan for establishing a Central China Transportation Company will be drafted by the Asia Development Board and, when this firm has been established, it will be placed under control of the Central China Development Company.

This concern is eventually likely to control the Lung-Hai Railway, the Tientsin-Pukow Railway south of Hsuechow, and other railways in Central China. —Reuter.

BRITISH FINANCED

The Tientsin-Pukow Railway is financed by British and German capital, loans having been issued between 1908 and 1936. Interest is guaranteed by Customs receipt, and the loans are under the care of the British and Chinese Corporation.

The Lunghai Railway is, Belgian financed.

MAJOR BATTLES RESUMED IN CENTRAL CHINA

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

THE JAPANESE SPOKESMAN, COMMENTING ON THE PRESENT MAJOR OPERATIONS OF THE JAPANESE TROOPS IN NORTHERN AND CENTRAL CHINA, DECLARED THAT THE JAPANESE ARE NOW FIGHTING SOME 70 CHINESE DIVISIONS OR ROUGHLY 300,000 MEN SOUTH OF THE LUNGHAI AND WEST OF THE PEIPING-HANKOW RAILWAYS.

After the capture of Anlu the Japanese forces based on Hankow were particularly active and were advancing in direction of Suhsen thereby threatening the right flank of the Chinese forces who are said to be retreating in a northwesterly direction.

Between Haichow and Hsuechow seven Chinese divisions are attempting to check the advancing Japanese north of Kiangsu. The Japanese claim that the Chinese lost 6,000 men from February 24 to March 5.

The Japanese airforce was specially active on Monday carrying out

GOERING TO PAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO ROME

Rome, To-day.

Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, who has for several days past been in San Remo where he will spend several weeks leave, will during this time also pay an official visit to Rome.

The "Giornale d'Italia" which announced this yesterday adds that the stay in Rome will last two or three days.

The Rome visit will take place at the end of the month, after which Field-Marshal Goering will go to Sicily and finally to Libya in order to return the visit to Berlin paid by Marshal Italo Balbo.

Field-Marshal Goering's stay in Italy, according to the "Giornale d'Italia," will last six weeks. —Trans-Ocean.

several largescale bombing raids including the Chinese Communist basis at Ninghsia in Yenan, Northwest China.

Some 30 planes attacked the military academy of Yenan and more than 20 planes dropped bombs on other military establishments and barracks of the Red troops stationed at Ninghsia. —Trans-Ocean.

INTERNEED SHIPS TO GO TO FERRYVILLE

PARIS, TO-DAY.

AFTER THE "NEUTRALIZATION" OF ELEVEN SPANISH REPUBLICAN WARSHIPS IN THE FRENCH NAVAL PORT OF BIZERTA, IN TUNISIA, YESTERDAY MORNING, THE FRENCH NAVAL AUTHORITIES DECIDED TO TRANSFER THE WARSHIPS TO FERRYVILLE, A FRENCH NAVAL PORT IN TUNISIA.

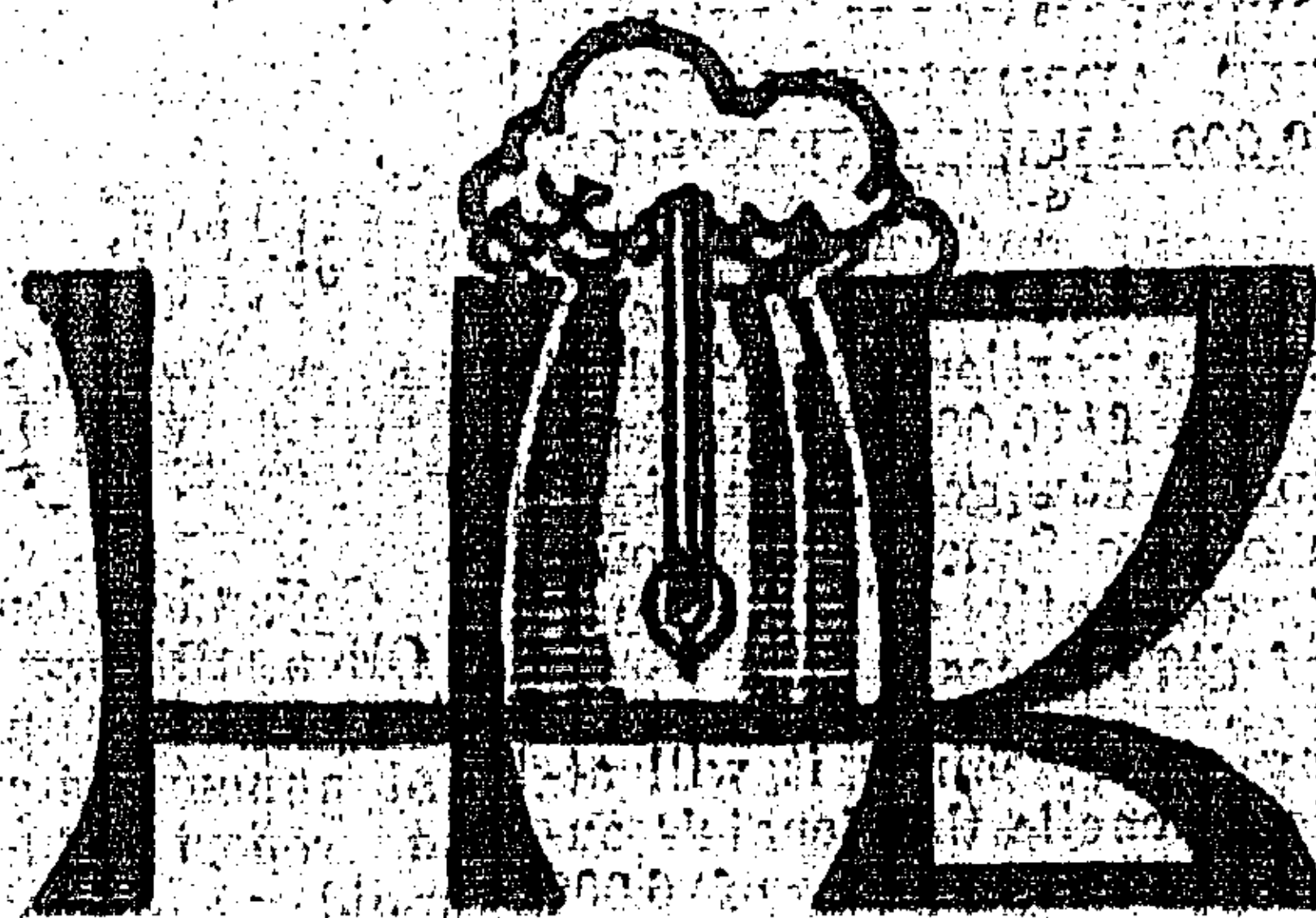
The "neutralization" was carried out by French naval officers and police stationed at Bizerta.

According to reports just received here from Oran, Algeria, seven more Spanish Republican vessels from the Cartagena naval base with crews of 850 officers and men and 200 refugees were interned in Mers el Kebir in Oran Bay.

The Oran port authorities refused the vessels permission to enter Oran harbour.

The crews of the interned vessels and the refugees will not be allowed to leave the ship until the French authorities have decided on a definite accommodation for the fugitives. —Trans-Ocean.

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—AND THEN TRY!

Financing Large-Scale Jew Emigration From Germany

SATISFACTORY PROGRESS MARKED

London, To-day.

Satisfactory progress in the negotiations for Jews to leave Germany is being made between the inter-governmental committee and the German Government, Reuter learns.

Mr. Robert Pell, acting director of the London refugees office, is preparing a further memorandum to take to Berlin.

It is understood that the letter of Mr. George Rublee (former director who resigned), containing the intentions of the Evian Refugee Conference, which Mr. Pell took to Berlin last week-end, was in general terms and further details were requested.

Meanwhile, two other aspects of the refugee problem will need to mature at about the same time, namely financing arrangements and territory for ultimate settlement.

TRUST IN REICH

Financial arrangements will be in the hands of an international corporation working with the inter-governmental committee and the Trust which Field-Marshal Goering will establish in Germany.

Some progress is being made in the plans for eventual co-operation between these two.

The corporation is a private concern headed by Jews chiefly in London and New York.—Reuter.

SENATE PASSES BILL FOR ARMY EXPANSION

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY. THE SENATE YESTERDAY OVERWHELMINGLY APPROVED THE ADMINISTRATION'S \$72,000,000 ARMY EXPANSION BILL.

The measure, which will carry out a major portion of President Roosevelt's \$110,000,000 defence programme, now goes to the joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives for adjustment of differences.

Among other things it will attempt to reconcile the Senate's authorization on Monday of 6,000 planes for the army air corps compared with the 5,000 authorized by the House.

The Senate has accepted a proposal to limit aviation expenditures to 200,000,000 of the Army Expansion Bill total, and also agreed to place a 10 per cent. limit on profits of aeroplane manufacturers and others likely to benefit from contracts under the bill.—Reuter.

LANCASHIRE AND PLANS FOR RATIONALISATION

London, To-day.

A ballot conducted by the Board of Trade in producing sections of the cotton industry on the draft bill providing for reorganisation of the industry, showed a majority of 65 per cent. in favour of the bill, measured by the number of firms, or 72 per cent. measured by employment, or 70 per cent. measured by output.

On the other hand, a ballot of members of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce gave 349 votes against the bill and 730 for, but of the votes cast by members in producing sections of the cotton industry, 436 were for and 167 against.

The London Chamber of Commerce have reported that the cotton exporters section of the Chamber are opposed to the bill as drafted.

Announcing these results in the Commons, the President of the Board of Trade said the position was now under consideration and he hoped to be able to make a statement shortly.—British Wireless.

DIONNE "QUINS" AND ROYAL VISIT

Callander, Ontario, To-day.

Oliva Dionne, father of the Dionne quintuplets, made his first announcement yesterday on the report that the "quins" should go to Toronto to be presented to the King and Queen when they visit Canada this year.

Mr. Dionne said he did not favour their going to Toronto.

"We are anxious that they be presented," he declared, "but I cannot see why the Government cannot arrange to have Their Majesties visit the nursery here."—Reuter.

HIGHER ESTIMATES NEXT YEAR

London, March 1.

A high official of the British Admiralty states that, although this year's naval estimates are the highest ever presented to this country, it is "almost certain that they will be even higher next year."—Reuter.

LAWYER SHOT DEAD IN SETTLEMENT

Chungking, To-day.

Another murder took place at the intersection of Yu Ya Ching and Sinza Roads in the International Settlement at eight o'clock last night. The victim was Chen Hsin-min, a lawyer.

The incident which occurred at the Yulin Road S.M.C. police station on Monday has been amicably settled after the handing over of the two alleged terrorists to the Japanese, according to the police.

The five alleged terrorists whom the Japanese arrested during a raid in Yangtsepoo have not yet been released.

They are workers of a cotton mill, which has petitioned the Shanghai Municipal Council to negotiate with the Japanese for their release.—Central News.

CHINESE WITHDRAW FROM CHUNGSIANG

Ichang, To-day.

Following two days' bitter fighting, the Chinese troops have partly withdrawn from Chungsiang, on the Han River. Confused fighting continues in the area.

Japanese units assaulting Wang-chiatsai and Changshoutien, 20 miles north of Chungsiang, have been driven back.

The Chinese counter-offensive at Sanyangtien is proceeding favourably. The Japanese set civilian houses ablaze in their retreat.

Yangchiabo, on the Hankow-Ichang highway, has been retaken by the Chinese.—Central News.

AMERICA WAS KEPT INFORMED

London, To-day.

The Government of the United States was kept informed of the views of the British Government regarding recognition of General Franco's Spanish Government, according to a Commons answer by the Prime Minister yesterday.—British Wireless.

DUTCH VESSEL SEIZED BY FRANCO CRAFT

London, To-day.

The 1,696-ton Dutch vessel Aurora was seized, and later released by General Franco's warships, after having been attacked by Spanish Nationalist planes.

First indication of trouble came with the receipt by the British Admiralty of a message from the vessel saying she was being attacked by planes of unknown nationality.

Her position was given as 37.6 north, 3.7 west.

The British destroyer Ivanhoe was ordered to investigate but before she reached the spot, it was found that the Nationalist warship Jupiter had taken control of the Aurora.

Later the Aurora was allowed to continue the voyage to Genoa.—Reuter.

REPUBLICAN PLANES SAID RESPONSIBLE

Amsterdam, To-day.

The owners of the Aurora, captured and later released by General Franco, have received a radio from the captain stating that the ship was attacked by six bombing aeroplanes.

The upper and lower bridge-deck were damaged by bomb splinters but there were no casualties.

The message indicated that the aeroplanes belonged to the Spanish Republican forces.—Reuter.

ROUND WORLD LINER DOCKS

AN UNUSUALLY STRONG TIDE LENT SOME EXCITEMENT TO THE DOCKING OF THE ROUND-THE-WORLD LINER, EMPRESS OF BRITAIN, THIS MORNING.

Although she arrived almost dead on time, it took her nearly 50 minutes to tie up, manoeuvring being repeatedly disturbed by the strength of the tide.

Eventually, she berthed without untoward incident.

The giant liner carried fewer passengers than on any previous trip, a fact attributed to the present disturbed international outlook, and the total hardly exceeds two hundred.

Mrs. O. O. McIntyre, widow of the famous American columnist, is one of the most interesting visitors.

WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that a weak anti-cyclone covers Central China, Korea, and S.W. Japan. A depression is moving east-north-eastward over South Hokkaido. The depression over Indo-China and Siam has deepened slightly.

Local forecast: — east winds, moderate; cloudy.

U.S. WARPLANES FOR EUROPEAN POWERS

NEW HIGH SPEED LAUNCHES FOR THE ROYAL NAVY

A demonstration of some of the latest types of high speed motor launches built by Thornycroft's at their Hampton-on-Thames Yard, for the Royal Navy, was carried out recently on the Thames alongside the Ford Jetty at Dagenham.

These launches are carried on destroyers and the larger warships for use as general fast service tenders, and are typical of the modern equipment being furnished to H. M. ships.

The boats, of 25-ft. in length with a beam of 7-ft., are stoutly built of double skin mahogany planking on sawn timbers and intermediate steamed and bent timbers, the hull construction enabling the craft to withstand any amount of strain and hard usage.

Each boat is driven by a Thornycroft marine converted Ford V-8 engine of 65 H. P. and has a speed of about 20 knots. Accommodation is provided for the officers in the forward cabin and in the aft cabin for the crew, comfortable cushioned seats being fitted in each compartment. A hinged hatch at the forward end of the Officer's cabin allows communication with the helmsman, whose cockpit forward is equipped with a tip-up cushioned seat, and the engine controls and reverse gear are close at hand to the steering wheel.

Remarkable ease of handling and acceleration are features of these craft.

KANSU PROVINCE SUFFERS UNDER SEVERE RAIDS

Lanchow, To-day.

Japanese bombers wrought havoc in Pingliang, Wuwei, and Yungchang, all towns in far-flung Kansu, in a series of air raids yesterday.

Fifteen machines attacked Pingliang, near the Shensi border, in the morning, dropping a number of missiles.

Shortly after noon, 30 other Japanese aircraft winged their way to Wuwei and Yungchang, in central Kansu, and emptied their bomb racks.

Heavy losses were suffered by these places. Investigation is now proceeding apace.

Shan, capital of Shensi, was also

BELGIUM TO TEST FIGHTER

I have had an interesting conversation with Mr. Seversky, the well-known American aircraft constructor, who has just established a new record by flying from Paris to Brussels, a distance of 171 miles, in 35 minutes, at a speed of approximately 292 miles per hour, says the air correspondent of the London "Daily Telegraph."

The machine he used was a Seversky E.P.-1, single-fighter, powered with a 950 horse power Pratt and Whitney engine. It is claimed to have a maximum speed of 330 miles per hour.

The flight is the more remarkable because it was established in bad weather at a low altitude at which the engine cannot develop its full horse-power.

Mr. Seversky left the machine at Brussels, where it is to be tested by pilots of the Belgian Air Force.

POSSIBILITY OF SALES

Mr. and Mrs. Seversky are investigating the possibilities of selling American military aircraft to European Governments. Mrs. Seversky, despite her youth, is a high skilled pilot, and has held an American aviator's certificate for eight years.

They have brought with them in addition to the aeroplane that Mr. Seversky flew to Brussels, a test pilot, two mechanics, and another machine, the Seversky II, P.A. two-seater convoy fighter.

The interior of the main plane of the machine forms a large tank, which can be filled with petrol from wing-tip to wing-tip. The maximum range is then 3,000 miles.

EXPERIENCE IN CHINA

Experience in China and Spain has shown, in Mr. Seversky's opinion, that bombers when not escorted by fighters can easily be destroyed by modern fighting machines equipped with cannon or a number of machine-guns.

Consequently he holds that there is an important future for what he calls the convoy fighter, a machine of long range which can be used either for escorting bomber formations or for the pursuit and destruction of bombers returning from raids.

This type of long-range fighter can also be used by colonial powers to reinforce overseas bases by air, a factor which is of great importance in view of the probable dislocation of sea communications in wartime.

bombed by 14 Japanese planes yesterday.

NINGHSIA HAVOC

More than 300 civilians were killed and wounded during the Japanese air raid over Ninghsia, capital of Ninghsia province on Monday, it is now ascertained.

Upwards of 100 light and heavy bombs were unloaded by the Japanese raiders, devastating a wide section of the city. Several hundred houses were wrecked.—Central News.

166 MANCHUKUO PROTESTS TO SOVIET

Tokyo, To-day.

The Manchukuoan Government protested to the Soviet Union over 158 border disputes in the last year, according to an official statement issued in Hsinking yesterday.

Altogether, 166 disputes occurred during the year, and Russia replied to only 51 of the protests.

No case was settled but two were partially settled.

Disputes are stated to have arisen over cases of illegal crossing of the frontier, shooting, kidnapping, interference with river traffic, illegal land surveys and destruction of border posts.

The latest incident was reported yesterday from Harbin, where 10 Soviet cavalrymen are alleged to have crossed the border north of Suifeng.

Before they were repelled one cavalryman was wounded.—Reuter.

CAWNPORE COMMUNAL RIOTS

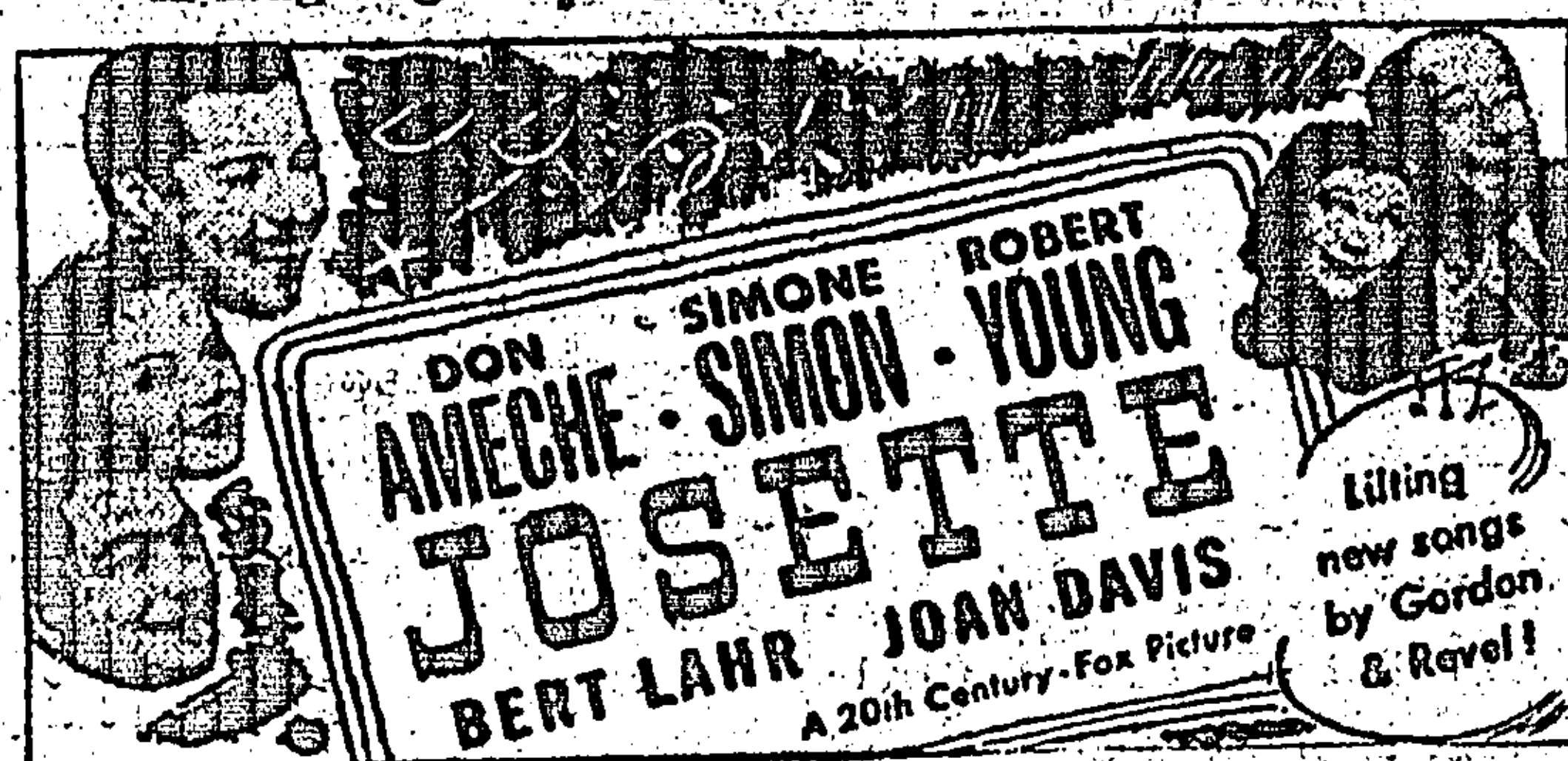
Cawnpore, To-day.

One was killed and four injured in a Hindu-Moslem riot which broke out again yesterday. Two policemen were among the injured.

The police fired three rounds but no injuries resulted.—Reuter.

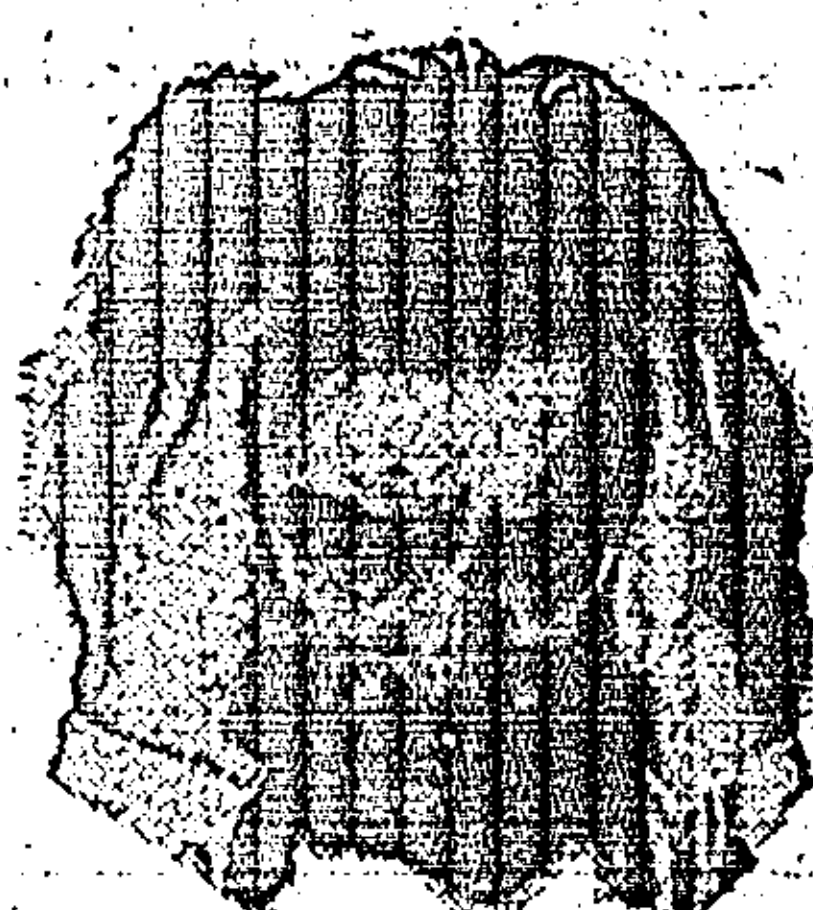


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TO-MORROW: "SCARLET EMPRESS"

**INCREASED PATRONAGE
OF REPULSE BAY LIDO**

THAT PROFITS WERE \$37,000 HIGHER THAN LAST YEAR AND THAT THERE HAD BEEN A FURTHER EXTENSION OF THE PATRONAGE ACCORDED THE REPULSE BAY LIDO AND THE ADJACENT BUNGALOWS, WAS MENTIONED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING THIS MORNING OF THE HONG KONG REALTY AND TRUST COMPANY, LTD., BY THE CHAIRMAN, MR. JOHN FLEMING.

Mr. Fleming said:—

The profit for the year under review amounted to \$94,089.40, which, added to the amount of \$62,766.48 brought forward from the preceding year, makes the sum of \$156,855.88 available for appropriation, and the recommendations of your Board in this connection is to pay a dividend of forty cents per Share, involving \$80,000.00; to transfer to General Reserve the sum of \$50,000.00, bringing such Reserve up to \$350,000.00, and to carry forward the remaining balance of \$26,855.88 to the 1939 Account.

It is with pleasure I have to report that the profit for the year 1938, \$94,089.40, shows an increase of approximately \$37,000.00 over the profit for 1937. As was anticipated in the Speech from the Chair a year ago, revenue by way of Dividends on Investments materially exceeded the previous year's income from that source, an increase of some \$26,000.00 being recorded. The credit balance of Working Account also shows a substantial improvement on comparison with the preceding year, the increase in this respect being \$13,000.00 reflecting generally a further extension of the patronage accorded the Repulse Bay "Lido" and full occupancy during the year under review of the Company's adjacent Bungalows. As perusal of the Profit and Loss Account will show, itemised expenditure remained approximately the same as for 1937 and appears to call for no comment on my part; accordingly the revenue increases I have specially mentioned account generally for the enhanced profit this year.

OVERDRAFT REDUCED

Little comment seems to be necessary on items in the Balance Sheet. On the Asset side, Investments, at cost, appear at the same figure as last reported, but the market value thereof at 31st December last shows a slight improvement over the previous year, which is satisfactory considering the present dormant state of the local Share Market. I believe you will agree with me when I state that the present return on these Investments can also be regarded with equal satisfaction. On the Liabilities side the Overdraft figure shows a comparative reduction of approximately \$56,000.00, and having regard to the dividend payment of \$50,000.00 during the year, this position can now be viewed with some measure of equanimity.

40-CENTS DIVIDEND

As there appear to be no other matters to which useful reference can be made, I now formally propose that from the balance of \$156,855.88 standing at the credit of Profit and Loss Account at the 31st December, 1938, a dividend of forty cents per Share on 200,000 Shares be paid, the sum of \$80,000.00 be transferred to General Reserve and the then remaining balance of \$26,855.88 be carried forward to the Account for the year 1939. I shall be obliged if some Shareholder will kindly second such proposal whereupon questions as to the Report and Accounts may be raised.

Mr. F. H. Suckling seconded, and

**WOMEN EMPLOYED
IN DANGEROUS
TRADE**

The manager of the Wah Nam Mineral Refining Works, Talkok-tai, was summoned before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning at the Kowloon Magistracy for employing female workers in a dangerous trade—a process involving the use of manganese—without the written consent of the Protector of Labour.

Inspector W. D. Phillips, of the Works and Factories, prosecuting, said defendant was advised and warned by the Labour authorities concerning the employ of female workers who are nervous in working on the process of manganese. The warning was issued following a personal visit to the Works by a Government medical officer last year.

The premises was visited on February 8 when seven female workers were found working, but it was understood that the Works usually employed between 20 and 30 female workers.

A fine of \$150 was imposed.

**FELL ASLEEP AT
SCENE OF CRIME**

Yeung Shing, aged 30, unemployed was charged at the General Magistracy before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, with burglary at No. 210 Hennessy Road, first floor, on Monday.

Inspector A. V. Baker said that at about 12.30 and 1.30 a.m. on Monday, defendant broke into the premises by unbolting the door with a chisel. After stealing an overcoat, two woollen shawls and 27 pieces of Chinese clothing, defendant went up to the roof and fell asleep. He was later found by the Police, with the property in his possession, sleeping on the roof.

Sentence of two months' hard labour was passed, and the man was recommended for banishment.

It is understood that five persons have been arrested by the Police in connection with the murder of a coal coolie, Wong King-chung on Saturday in Hamilton Street.

the Report and Accounts were adopted.

The Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow and Mr. T. E. Pearce were re-elected directors, while Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-appointed auditors.

The following attended:—Mr. J. Fleming, chairman, Mr. J. H. Taggart, Mr. T. E. Pearce, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Mr. P. K. Kwok and Mr. E. M. Raymond (directors), Mr. F. C. Barry (secretary) and the following shareholders:—Messrs. P. H. Suckling, N. V. A. Craucher, L. Jack, J. E. Rotwell, A. H. de Ca, Lo Chong-woo and W. C. Clark.

Mr. Oliver Stanley On Trade Visit To Germany

London, To-day.

The visits shortly to be paid by the President of the Board of Trade and the Secretary of the Department for Overseas Trade to Berlin, and by Mr. Hudson to other northern capitals, were mentioned at Commons question time yesterday when Mr. Oliver Stanley emphasised the general and exploratory character of the conversations they would have abroad.

ROOSEVELT CONDEMNS WAR REFERENDUM

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, AT HIS DAILY PRESS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY, SAID THAT DEFENCE OF THE UNITED STATES MIGHT EASILY BE IMPAIRED BY ANY LAW REQUIRING A REFERENDUM VOTE PRIOR TO DECLARATION OF WAR.

It seemed to him that a representative form of government should apply to a war situation as well as to any other type of action.

A situation was possible in which the defences or vital interests of the United States might be wrecked by what he called a "quasi war."

"NOT ON CARPET"

President Roosevelt thought the Neutrality Act had not served the cause of peace, and asserted that it may in fact have encouraged some nations towards threats of war.

Asked whether he favoured repeal of the Act, the President declined to amplify his remarks saying: "The question is not on the carpet to-day."—Reuter.

NEW YORK TO BE A CITY OF LIGHT

Plans have been completed for the installation along the main roads of the city of New York leading to and from the World's Fair of amber globes designed to guide visiting motorists.

These special lamps, 3,500 of which will be placed along 90 miles of highway, are to be arranged in such a manner that whenever they are on the driver's right he will know that he is going to the fair.

The civic authority is also determined to give New York the reputation of being "A City of Light," and for this purpose 26,000 new and more powerful lamps are being substituted for those at present in use along 800 miles of the city's streets.

Of his own visit he said: "I am going to Berlin in response to an invitation which I have been glad to accept to attend a dinner being given by the Reichsgruppeindustrie in connection with discussion with the Federation of British Industries regarding competition between individual industries of the two countries."

"I hope to have an opportunity to make contacts and to survey the general problems of Anglo-German trade relations with those prominent in German economic life."

POLITICS OUT

Answering a supplementary question, he confirmed that his visit would be concerned only with trade, and that questions of a political nature would be excluded.

The President in another answer denied knowledge of a suggestion that any proposals about Germany's short term indebtedness would be discussed during the visit.

He assured another questioner that the Dominion Governments would be kept in touch with any developments from these informal and exploratory discussions which seemed likely to be of interest to them. — British Wireless.

ATTEMPT TO END TIENTSIN HIGH TENSION

London, To-day.

The acting British Consul General at Tientsin yesterday had a friendly discussion with General Homa, local Japanese military commander, on the livewire entanglements which the Japanese have erected around the British and French Concessions, and which have been the subject of protests by the British and French authorities and of questions to Ministers in the Commons.

First British representations were made on February 28 locally by Major Guy Herbert, who renewed his protest four days later.

On the same day—March 4—the British Ambassador in Tokyo took up the matter with the Japanese Government in a note referring to the general situation in Tientsin.

The French Ambassador, it is understood, also made a communication to the Japanese Foreign Office.

Following yesterday's conversation at Tientsin between Major Herbert and General Homa, the position is that the British Government is awaiting the reply of the Japanese authorities. — British Wireless.

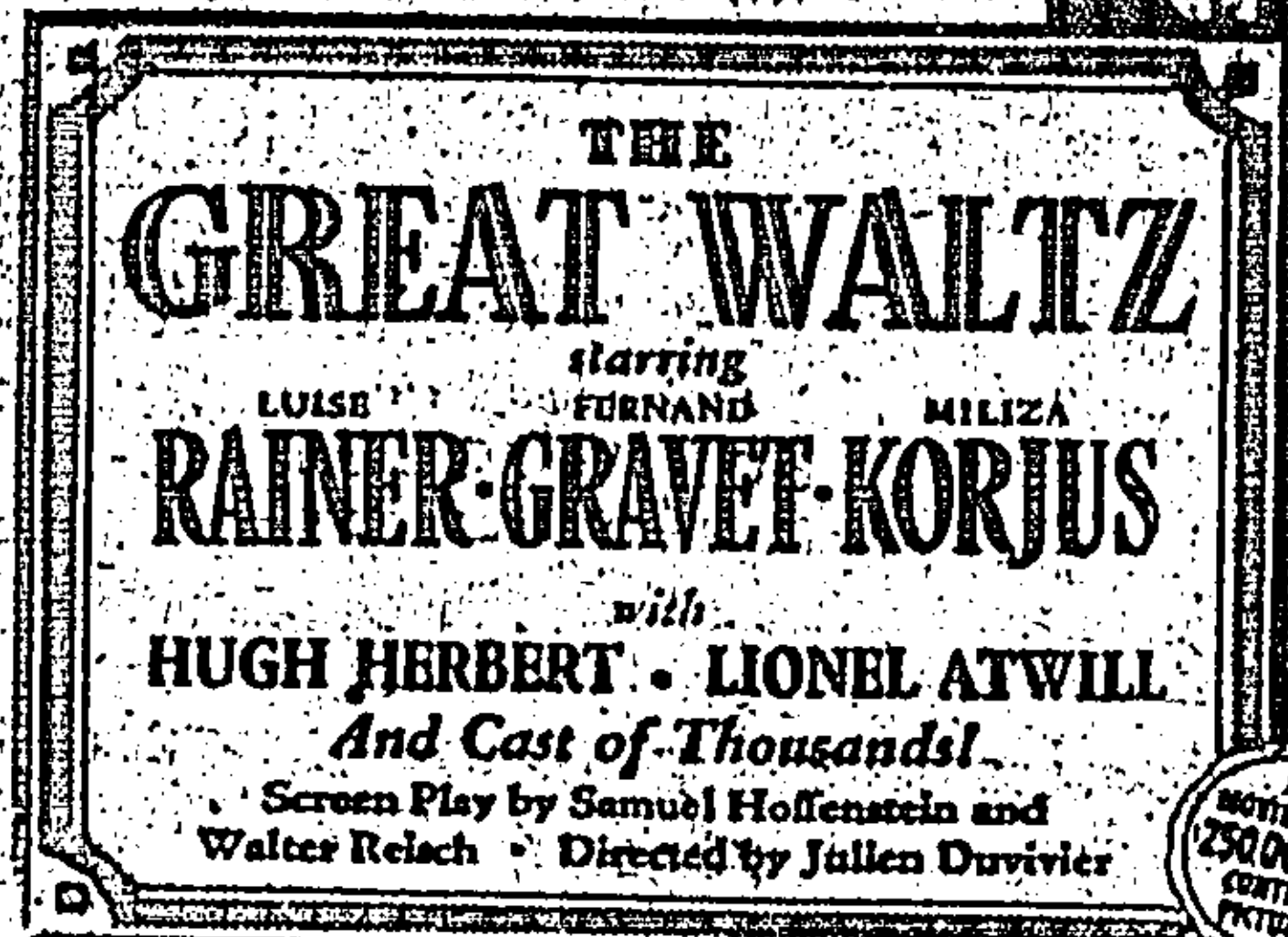
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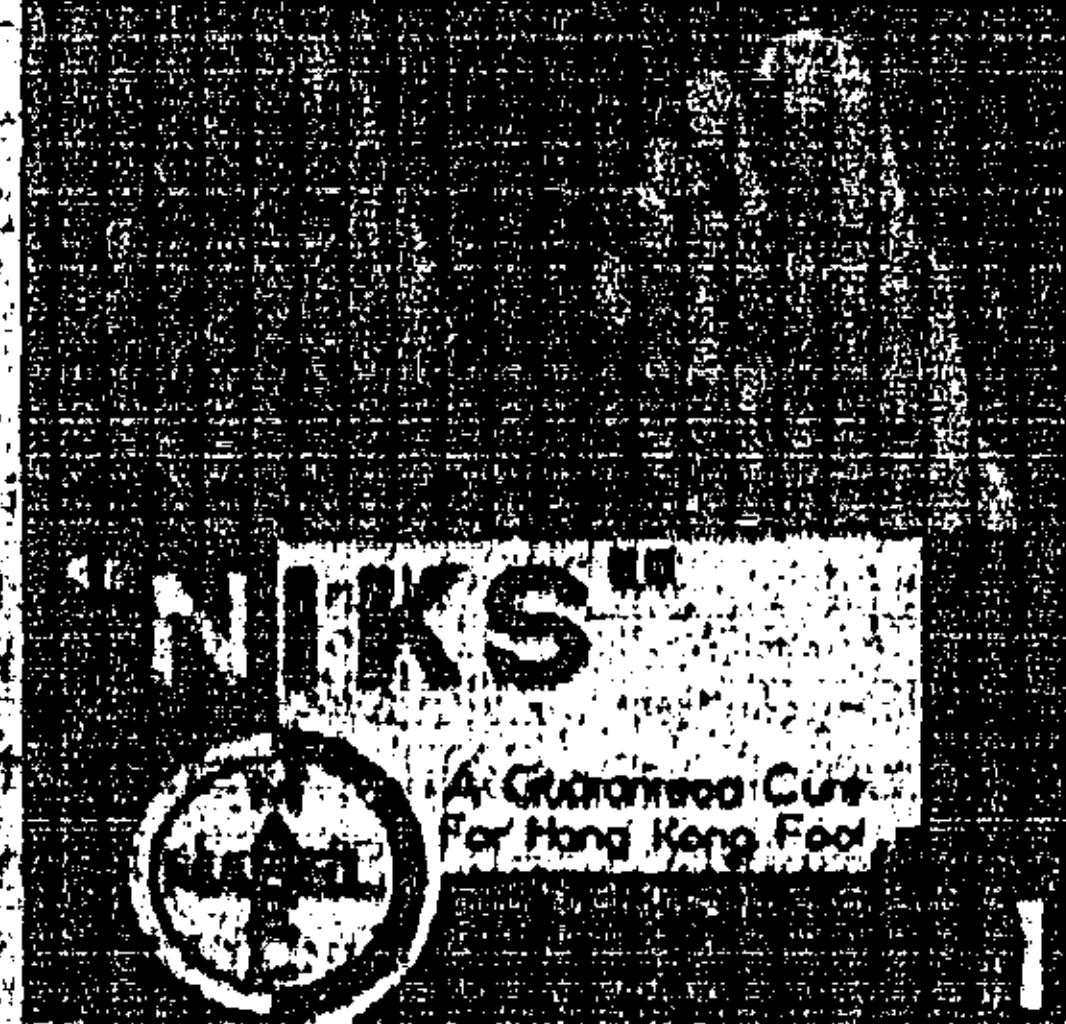


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ADMIRAL LEAHY'S SHIP FOR SHIP AND MORE WARNING TO TOKYO

Washington, To-day.

"If a foreign power increases its naval strength materially, it will be necessary for the United States to increase its strength," Admiral Leahy, Chief of Naval Operations, told reporters yesterday.

Admiral Leahy was commenting on what he described as the Tokyo announcement that Japan intended to match the sea power of the United States and Great Britain within the next six years.

Admiral Leahy proceeded to disclose some of the results of the recent United States naval manoeuvres in the Caribbean Sea. He said that some destroyers and submarines of the attacking force penetrated as far as San Juan, Puerto Rico, and to points north-east of Haiti, but not a single "invading" transport got within range of American territory.

FOR DEFENCE

According to a Dow-Jones agency report, Admiral Leahy said he believed the United States Navy should always be prepared to defend any national policy, and if national policy included defence of trade, the Navy should be prepared for defence of that also.

He said he believed the United States Navy should be able to match the capital ship fleet of any combination that might be likely to attack the United States. — Reuter.

LITHUANIAN HOME MINISTER RESIGNING

Kovno, To-day.

The resignation of the Minister of Interior, Colonel Leonas, as direct outcome of the recent developments in the Memel question, is now imminent.

Colonel Leonas, prior to becoming Minister of Interior at the beginning of last year, was for eight years President of the Lithuanian Military Tribunal in Memel. As such he conducted the now famous trial of Memellanders which began in 1934 and lasted several months.

Named as his most likely successor is M. Barkauskas, head of one of the Departments of the Ministry of Interior. Other changes in the Government are said to be impending. — Trans-Ocean.

MOTHER BROUGHT THE GANG

Before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, Liu Ming, 32, cook, Liu Fat, 38, Ng Yu, 45, a 16-year-old apprentice coppersmith, Yip Kwan-ho, 42, widow, Ip Kwai, 24, dock coolie, and Lo Wing, 50, gardener, were charged with fighting at Kwai Fong Street near Shing Wo Road, last night.

It was alleged that the 13-year-old boy was pushed by Liu Ming. The boy went to his mother, fifth defendant, and called the whole gang to the spot.

A fine of \$1 was imposed on all defendants, who were also ordered to sign a bond of \$10 to keep the peace for six months.

DEVONSHIRE ORDERED TO GANDIA

London, To-day.

The cruiser H.M.S. Devonshire has been ordered to the British-owned port of Gandia, in Spain, for protection of British interests in view of uncertainty regarding conditions in the republican zone following succession of the Negrin administration by the Council of Defence. — British Wireless.

DEATH OF FAMED MATHEMATICIAN

Munich, To-day.

One of the world's greatest mathematicians, Professor Dr. Ferdinand von Lindemann, aged 87, died suddenly yesterday in his Munich home.

The mathematic world sustains a grave loss in the death of this prominent scholar who opened the great dispute on the "quadrature of the circle" in 1882 and who was later awarded the famous Steier prize by the Prussian Academy of Science.

Professor von Lindemann was the first scientist to offer mathematical proof that the quadrature of a circle was impossible. This ended an age-long dispute over the problem which even drew the attention of old Egyptians in the solution of which were engaged Archimedes in ancient times and especially Huygens and Lambert in modern times. — Trans-Ocean.

SLOVAK-HUNGARIAN BORDER FIXED

Budapest, To-day.

The frontier between Slovakia and Hungary has been definitely fixed after representatives of both parties had reached an agreement on the basis of the Vienna Arbitral Award.

The new boundary line corresponds for the most part with that laid down at Vienna. As a result of minor rectifications, Hungary transfers eight communities to Slovakia, and Slovakia nineteen communities to Hungary. — Trans-Ocean.

Tempers Becoming Frayed At Palestine Conference

RESENTMENT MANIFEST IN DISCUSSIONS

London, To-day.

Enquiries in Palestine Conference circles suggest that tempers are beginning to be frayed.

It is believed that at yesterday's talk between the British and Arab delegations there were vigorous exchanges following the suggestion that the Palestine Arab delegation's attitude had stiffened and that they were unwilling to make concessions.

Calm was quickly restored but some resentment was manifested throughout the discussion, which it is understood dealt mainly with immigration.

It is asserted that the Palestine delegation protested against illegal immigration, which they said had reached considerable proportions.

It is believed the British Government intended to prevent this immigration.

CONSULTING JERUSALEM

It is stated in some quarters that the British Government is consulting the High Commissioner in Jerusalem in regard to its constitutional proposals, and the next meeting of the Conference will not be held until the High Commissioner's reply is received.

It is understood that the talks are reaching a stage where the British intend to bring forward specific proposals.

It is believed that both the Arabs and British have agreed that the questions of a constitution, immigration and land sales are interdependent, and that any agreement must cover all three, due respect being paid to British interests, preservation of Holy Places and the question of a Jewish national home.

TRANSITIONAL PERIOD

It is hoped the present conference will produce something definite on these questions, although it is understood the British are not prepared at the moment to indicate preference for any particular form of constitution.

The British visualise a transitional period to allow Arabs and Jews to collaborate in helping the British with advice.

It is believed that difficulties attached to determining the transitional period are occupying much of the time of the Conference.

ESSENTIAL CONDITION

The British are said to have indicated that they regard co-operation between Jews and Arabs as an essential condition of advance to ultimate independence.

The Jewish Agency executive is drafting a written communication which will be presented to the British delegation to-day by which it is hoped to ascertain whether or not the Government policy envisages the liquidation of the Jewish national home.

MANDATE PRINCIPLE

The Jewish delegates are prepared for a settlement involving termination of the Mandate as long as the principles of the Mandate, following continued development of the national home, are still to be observed.

If the Government's reply shows it intends to safeguard this continued development, it is understood the Jewish delegates will consider it a satisfactory basis for further discussion. Otherwise they will see no object in prolonging the talks. — Reuter.

TERRORIST'S VICTIMS

London, To-day.

Yesterday's Palestine situation report received at the Colonial Office by telegraph from the High Commissioner mentions the case of an Arab terrorist in Haifa who having fatally wounded an unfortunate Arab shopkeeper from whom he was attempting to extort money on behalf of the terrorist campaign, was pursued by a military patrol.

The terrorist fired at the troops and again his victim was a disinterested third party—an innocent bystander whom he hit and fatally wounded and who turned out to be a Persian.

The terrorist was killed by return fire of the military patrol.—British Wireless.

Terrible Plight Of Loyalist Wounded In France

London, To-day.

The French authorities need help, not criticism, declares Sir John Kennedy in his Report prepared for the British Red Cross Society on the situation of Spanish refugees in France.

Sir John is of opinion that the best immediate help would be the despatch of a fully equipped British hospital ship.

Sir John gives harrowing descriptions of the condition of thousands of sick and wounded.

Besides the wounded there are tuberculosis, typhoid and other diseases.

Men lie packed together, some on stretchers and some on straw. Some of them are naked.

The Report states it must be remembered that the French are not dealing with a normal situation.

CLARK GABLE DIVORCED

Las Vegas, Nevada, To-day. Mrs. Clark Gable yesterday obtained a divorce from her film star husband on the grounds of desertion.

In a previous separation suit, Clark Gable settled \$236,000 on his wife.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT IN CHEST REORGANISED

Prague, To-day.

The reconstruction of the Carpatho-Ukrainian Government, resulting from the intervention yesterday of the Czechoslovak State President, Dr. Hacha, when the Economics and Traffic Minister Julian Revay, regarded as active representative of the Ukrainian Nationalist movement, was removed from office, means no kind of change in the home policy of Carpatho-Ukraine.

So stated the Carpatho-Ukrainian Minister for Finance and Internal Affairs, General Prchala, addressing press representatives yesterday.

The Prague Central Government, said General Prchala, emphatically had no intention of dissolving the recently elected Carpatho-Ukrainian Diet.

On the contrary, the Diet would be convened shortly.

In view of certain rumours in circulation that the Government intended to suppress the Carpatho-Ukrainian Defence Society, the Minister's statement that the organisation was to be maintained has attracted great attention.

The Minister declared, however, that the chief function of the organisation in future would be the training of Carpatho-Ukrainian youth.—Trans-Ocean.

POPE PIUS XII TO CREATE 4 NEW CARDINALS

Vatican City, To-day.

The correspondent of the "Stampa" learns that among the Prelates who will receive the red Cardinal's Hat at the consistory immediately following the Coronation of Pope Pius XII will be Monsignore Santoro, who held the post of Secretary of the Conclave, Monsignor Ruffini, Secretary to the Congregation of Seminary, and Monsignor Borgonchini Duca, Nuncio at the Quirinal.

In addition, it is stated, at least two, possibly three American Prelates will be created Cardinals. One of them will fill the vacancy left by the death of Cardinal Hayes, Archbishop of New York.

An entire reorganisation of the "Catholic Action" to bring out its national and religious character, is envisaged in Vatican quarters and it is added that the Catholic Action will be brought under the direct control of the Bishops.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH BREST FLEET MOVING INTO MEDITERRANEAN

Paris, To-day.

The French Squadron, part of which is engaged in manoeuvres with the French Mediterranean Fleet, put out from Brest at 9 a.m. yesterday morning under the command of Vice-Admiral Gensoul for Marseilles, where manoeuvres will take place until March 17th.

Flagship is the 26,000-ton cruiser "Dunkerque."

The big French submarine "Surcouf" set out from Brest yesterday for West and Central Africa.

The Minister of Marine, M. Campinchi, concluded his tour of inspection of the French Naval Bases yesterday with a visit to Cherbourg.

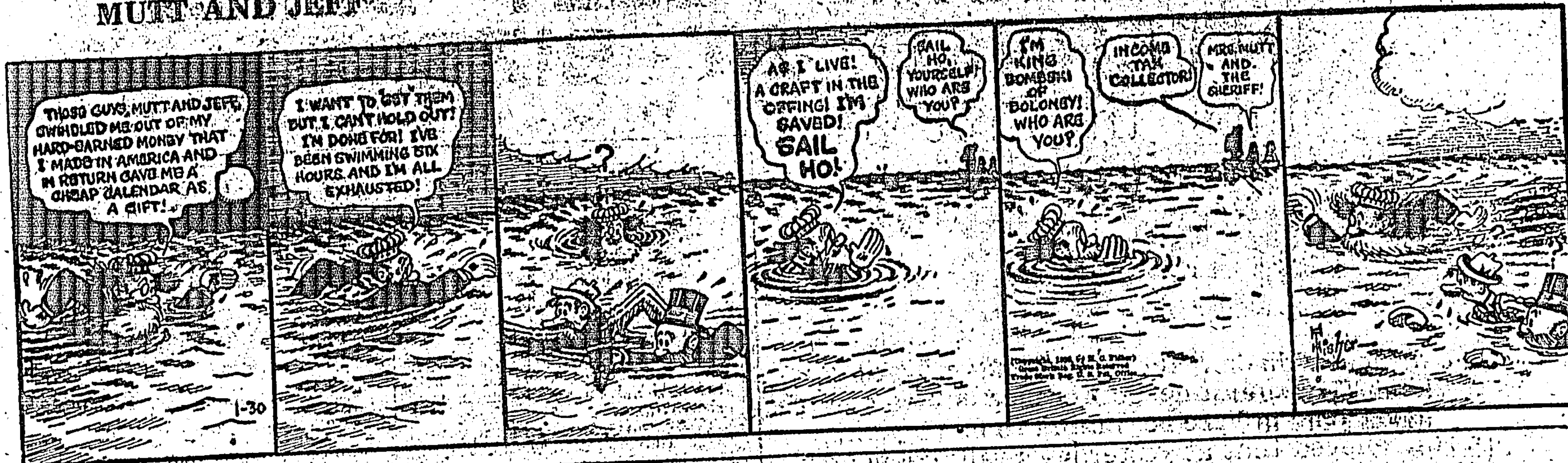
After a tour of the Naval Yards there he inspected a large underground site of petrol tanks, coastal batteries with their new anti-aircraft guns and several seaplane hangars.—Trans-Ocean.

Wong Cheuk, aged 37, a tailor of No. 71 Nam Cheong Street, and his wife, Shiu Ku-wah, were admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from the effects of poison after drinking Chinese medicine. Wong died later and the condition of his wife is fair.

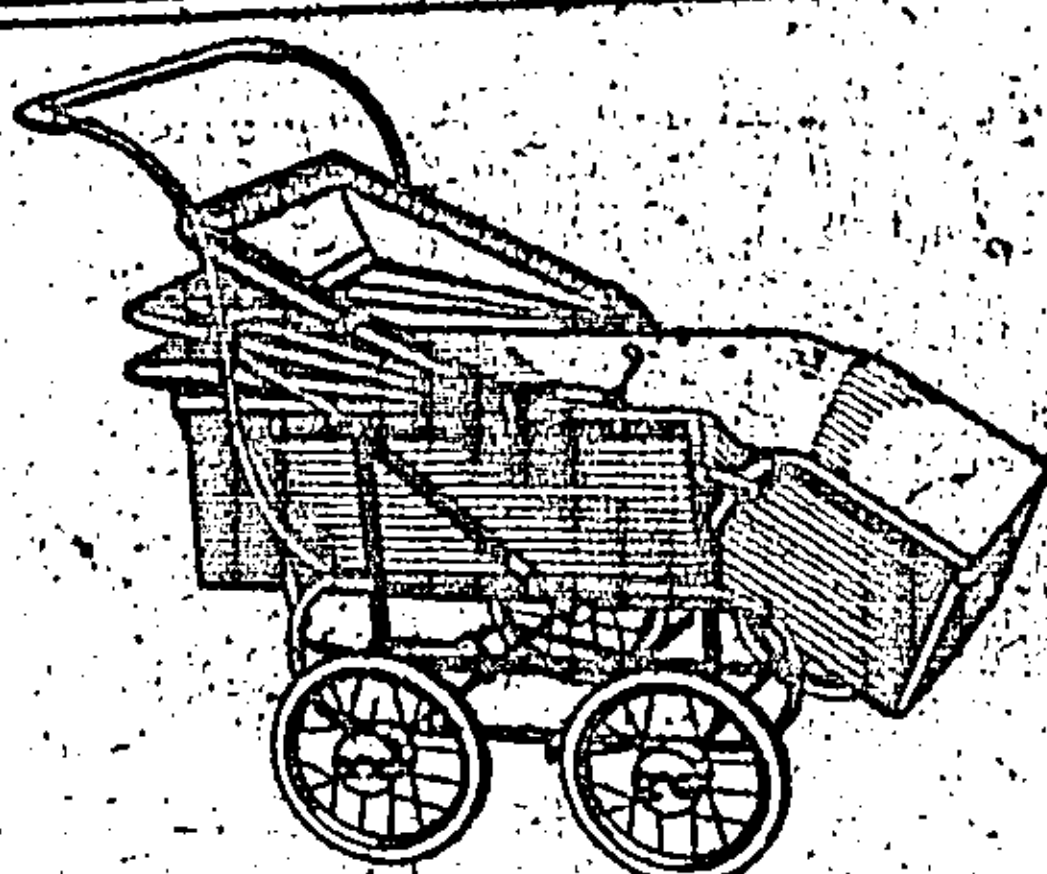
Mrs. Davis of No. 6B Luna Building has reported that she has lost her watch valued \$35 from her residence.

but with an army in retreat, and a tribute to the women of the French Red Cross.—Reuter.

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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

INADEQUATE

It wasn't until Sally had signed the contract with the Mayberry syndicate that she achieved the recognition and security she had always hoped for. And then, having reached this goal, she felt, surprisingly enough, inadequate.

The contract was the result of Sally's own idea. She had been selling some fiction and an occasional article to the Mayberry people, but she wasn't getting anywhere. Then she had come the idea. She offered to do a weekly fiction story for Mayberry, based on a Help Wanted advertisement. That is, she would start the yarn by writing an ad. "Wanted: Young, capable girl to help mother with family of five." Using this or some similar ad as a basis she would write her story.

The Mayberry people thought it a good idea. They tried some of Sally's samples on a few newspapers. The newspapers gobbled it up. So the syndicate wrote a contract, requiring a weekly story from Sally and agreeing to pay her 50 per cent of the net profits.

Sally was thrilled. This would give her security. It would mean the end of her hit-and-miss method which, of necessity, she had had to depend upon.

By Karl Grayson

More, she would at last be recognized as a writer with enough ability to make her living from her profession.

Still, the day she attended her first meeting of the Scribblers Manuscript club she felt inadequate. She met such people as Ted Beecher and Patty Mason, writers whose work she had read for years, people who, up to now, had been no more than myths to her.

They were all kind, gracious, complimentary; yet after it was over she thought about what they had accomplished and what she was doing and she felt inadequate. After all, she wrote for the pulp magazines, and most of their stories appeared in the better class magazines, referred to sometimes as the "slicks," or at least had written a book or two. Pulp writers weren't considered any great shakes. She knew that. Even though she did do a story every week and it was an idea of her own creation.

She sighed. Well, it wouldn't always be like this. She was going to keep trying to do better, and sometime in the uncertain future she too would write books or hit the slicks. Some day she was going to be as great as even Dorit Waters, whose stories she admired more than any other writer in the world.

The feeling of inadequacy grew the more Sally was invited to places where writers assembled. To be thrown into such close contact was fictionists of far-reaching and established reputation was awe-inspiring. It robbed her of the elation and triumph she had at first enjoyed when the Mayberry people wrote that her idea was successful.

However, she felt, she managed to keep it to herself. No one, she was sure, guessed at her sense of inferiority. She was sure because on

various occasions she was asked to address certain gatherings which included several well-known writers. She had an unhappy feeling that they were trying to be kind, or perhaps, listening to a pulp writer, was for these celebrities like seeing how the other half lived. But she didn't care. She did the best she could. If they were amused—well, sometime she, too, was going to be amused listening to pulp writers.

Six months after she had signed her contract, Sally was asked to speak before the Fairlawn Authors' League. She was surprised, because it was the largest and most famous writers' club in the city. Only a few of the faces that looked up at her from the audience were familiar.

She talked for half an hour, then, at the request of the programme chairman, agreed to answer questions. For the most part the questions put to her seemed silly and irrelevant. They were the type of questions which her friends asked her, people who didn't know the business and were merely curious.

One woman in particular was persistent. "How far ahead do you keep on your stories? Do you write

the want ads yourself? What do you consider the best market for love stories? Where do you get your ideas?"

They were the same old questions that everyone asked and Sally gave the same old answers. This woman, she was sure, was a guest and couldn't know much about the business. Her tone and manner were almost ingratiating. "Well," Sally thought, "I was that way once myself, probably am now to a certain extent. I hope I haven't sounded bored."

At last the questions ended, and Sally sat down. "Phew!" she thought, "do I feel inadequate now. The way some of those slick writers looked, my answers must have sounded more silly than the questions. Perhaps it was wrong for me to accept this invitation. Perhaps it's wrong for me to go on pretending, making people think that I have no sense of inferiority when other writers are around."

Dimitry, she heard the chairman's words of appreciation. Then suddenly her senses became alert. "And now," the chairman was saying, "I want to introduce a very special guest of honour: Miss Dorit Waters." Sally's mouth fell open. The woman who had asked her those silly questions was standing before her. She looked directly at Sally and smiled. There was no mistaking the meaning of that smile. It was a smile of triumph. It said, "You see, Miss Sally Cannon, I too am well-known."

Sally blinked. "I too am well-known." That meant why that meant—good heavens!—that Dorit Waters had been feeling inadequate because of her! Sally!

Sally returned the smile warmly, affectionately. A warm, friendly glow permeated her being, dissipating all the sense of inferiority.

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REPUBLICAN FLEET BEING INTERNED AT BIZERTA

Ships In Process Of Being Disarmed

Twelve Warships Surrender

Toulouse, To-day.

The dramatic dash of the Republican Spanish fleet from Cartagena ended at Bizerta, the French naval port in Tunisia, yesterday.

Earlier reports indicated the possibility of a fleet action with the Nationalist squadrons, but it is now apparent that the Republican naval commander decided to escape to a French port rather than hand his ships over to General Franco.

Shortly after the Republican warships arrived and anchored about a mile off Bizerta, detachments of French police and naval officers boarded the vessels.

The ships are now in process of being disarmed, and when this is completed they will be allowed to enter Bizerta harbour.

TWELVE SHIPS

The squadron, it is now revealed, consists of twelve men-of-war—one cruiser, three destroyers and eight torpedo-boats.

All local doctors at Bizerta have been requisitioned, and a strong force of Gardes Mobiles have been brought to the port from Tunis.

Meanwhile 50 Spanish Republican naval officers and other ranks from Cartagena have arrived at Oran in six vessels.

CEASED TO EXIST

This latest development in the Civil War means that the Spanish Republican Navy, already weakened through battle, now ceases to exist as a fighting force.

The vessels at Bizerta will be interned for the duration of the war, after which they will presumably be handed over to General Franco's Government.—Reuter.

GUAM NEEDED AS NAVAL LISTENING-POST

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEA-PLANE BASE AT GUAM AS A "LISTENING-POST" FOR THE NAVY WAS ADVOCATED BY REAR-ADMIRAL ARTHUR COOK, TESTIFYING BEFORE THE SENATE NAVAL COMMISSION YESTERDAY.

Rear-Admiral Cook denied that the proposed improvements at Guam were linked with the plan to fortify the island.

He declared the navy needed a base there from which to obtain advance information of any movements of a possible enemy.—Reuter.

FORGED BANKNOTES CHARGE

Ho Kong alias Ho Kwan, 66, unemployed, Chan Li-man alias Chan Sing-tin, 31, Ng Kam-lam alias Ng Hei-po 45 and Cheung Lam, 46, all unemployed, were charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, with unlawful possession of forged banknotes, at No. 210 Wing Lok Street, second floor, on Monday.

It was alleged that one \$100 note, one \$50, 10 \$5. of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, two 25 gulden banknotes and 16 five gulden notes, of the Bank of Java, and one 5 piastres note of the Bank of Indo-China, were found when the police raided the premises.

All defendants were remanded for 72 hours for further enquiries. Detective-Sergeant R. Mcvey is in charge of the case.

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER GRAND PRIOR

London, To-day.

The "London Gazette" announces that the Duke of Gloucester has been appointed Grand Prior of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem in the British realm in place of the Duke of Connaught, who has resigned.—Reuter.

HOLLAND AND REICH COMMENCE TRADE TALKS

Berlin, To-day.

The visit to the Leipzig spring fair of the Netherlands' Economic Minister M. P. L. Steenbergh announced some days ago will take place to-day.

After inspecting the fair Steenbergh will go to Berlin where he will stay several days and have the opportunity of conversations with the Reich Economics Minister and the Reichsbank President, Walther Funk, and other Germans prominent in finance and economic affairs.—Trans-Ocean.

FORTIFICATION OF NETHERLANDS

The Hague, To-day.

The Dutch Government has decided to establish a special "fortification office" which will supervise the construction of 750 military forts along the Dutch frontier.

The retired Major-General Van de Kastele has been entrusted with the management.

Kastele, who was Inspector of Engineering with the Dutch Colonial Army, will closely cooperate with Colonel Vaillant, the present commander of the Dutch engineering troops.

It is estimated that the fortification belt around Holland will be completed within one year.—Trans-Ocean.

At the 11th annual meeting of the Hong Kong and China Branch of the Chartered Surveyors' Institution held yesterday, the following Officers were elected for the ensuing year:—

Chairman:—Mr. W. A. Cornell, F.S.I., F.R.I.B.A.
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Mr. M. I. De Ville, P.A.S.I.
Honorary Secretary:—Mr. J. E. Richardson, F.S.I.

A dog belonging to Col. R. J. Walker of No. 50, The Peak, but taken to the island of the Peak, was found at the War Memorial.

BRITAIN'S BUDGET DEFICIT DOWN TO LOW LEVEL

London, To-day.

WITH 27 days of the financial year to go, Exchequer returns show that the deficit has been reduced to £44,467,503.

Last week income tax yielded £22,098,000, compared with £17,158,000 the previous week and £8,667,000 in the corresponding week of last year.

Total ordinary revenue amounts to £884,356,251 against £792,023,676 a year ago.

Only serious disappointment of Budget expectations is in respect of death duties, which at £70,210,000 are £12,000,000 less than a year ago and £18,000,000 short of the estimate.

Revenue from stamps is also behind at £18,820,000 against £19,410,000 at this time last year, and an estimate of £24,000,000.

INCOME TAX RISE

On the other hand, income tax and surtax together have brought in nearly £35,000,000 more and customs and excise nearly £3,000,000 more than a year ago.

Total expenditure less self-balancing items and sinking funds is £868,689,628 against £794,328,332 at the corresponding date of 1938.

Floating debt outstanding is £902,060,000, a net increase of £60,305,000 since the beginning of the financial year.—British Wire-less.

U.S. LAWYER & LOSS OF CAVALIER

A suggestion that Government proceedings should be instituted against Imperial Airways as a consequence of the sinking of the flying-boat Cavalier last month between New York and Bermuda, was made to the United States Attorney in Brooklyn by the lawyer representing Mrs. Miller, whose husband died in the accident.

The lawyer declares that the minimum standards of American safety regulations would have been sufficient to prevent the alleged freezing of the plane's carburettor system, and that the pilot delayed landing after motor trouble had become apparent.

He added that his client's object in bringing this case to the attention of the Government was to secure a change in the present standards of safety regulations.

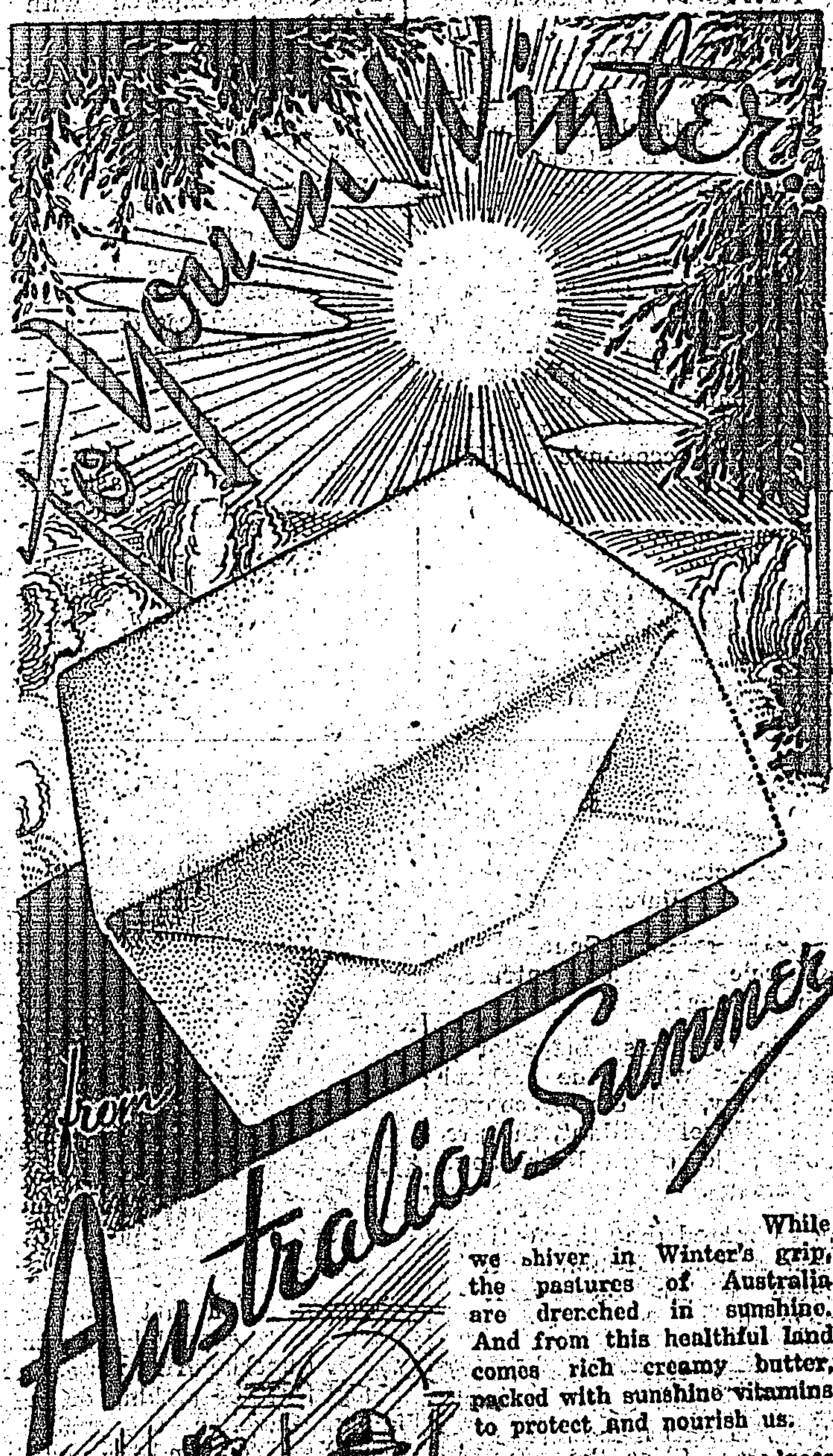


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ECONOMICS OF DICTATORSHIP

Nearly two years before Adolf Hitler came to absolute power, Germany had embarked on that course which led to the removal of Dr. Schacht from the Presidency of the Reichsbank to make way for the more radical Dr. Funk. That is a striking fact. It shows National Socialism, not as an originator of an economic philosophy which by theoretical soundness should encompass all German enterprise, but as an heir to expediency, for the success of which it has been obliged to pile expedient upon expedient.

In 1931, with severe financial depression in the world's money capitals, and the moratorium on German debts, foreign lending to Germany suddenly ceased. The value of German currency being in large measure dependent on credit from abroad, this would have resulted in a slump in the value of the mark had not Germany adopted foreign exchange restrictions.

By adopting them, Germany, however, took the first step toward economic totalitarianism, and even now, as Dr. Schacht steps down, appears not to have taken the last in a programme ever more restrictive on the individual whether he be financier, industrialist or worker.

If exchange restriction of itself could have tided the mark over that first period of shock, it is possible the history of Germany would have been much different. But, as a study in the British Commonwealth quarterly, the Round Table, points out, exchange restrictions were subject to avoidance by cunning traders in other ways nullified the regulations. To check these abuses the Government imposed export and import supervision. This posed the problem of choosing among imports necessary to German industry.

Naturally those German industries which depended on imported materials were thus subjected

to control as a result of the Government's control of the supplies they needed.

Control fed on control, from the single field of foreign exchange to trade and manufacture. And meanwhile, as Germany's efforts to increase employment through debt-creating public works increased purchasing power among consumers, the question of controlling prices arose. Public works were not producing foodstuffs and other commodities that consumers needed, and prices for these would have risen precipitously without new restrictions. Price controls in their turn have fostered still other regulations to prevent people from leaving industries less profitable under the controls for others which are more profitable.

All this time, it is true, official utterances have clothed developments in the garments of an economic philosophy, the most appealing tenet of which is Herr Hitler's dictum that the value of the mark depends on the quantity and quality of German labour. Within the walls of an economic fortress this can seem true. But the German standard of living depends also on Germany's trade with other countries. The energetic efforts of Dr. Schacht's successor to increase such trade recognize this fact.

The Lessons Of History

In a recent speech in Britain, Sir Charles Grant Robertson, president of the Historical Association, laid stress on the fact that the roots of many great issues at present before the world lie deep in the past; and he urged historians to keep before the nation the importance of the study of history.

The average citizen is constantly in need of such a reminder, not altogether because he undervalues "the lessons of history," but also because he is apt to think that they are such that he who runs may read; whereas, in fact, wide and comprehensive reading is necessary to assimilate any of them truly. As Mr. E. E. Kellett said lately, "it has become increasingly plain that history is no longer an affair for a single man, even if, like Macaulay, he deals in a thousand pages, with but a dozen years." The lessons each specialist implicitly teaches will vary with the man and his theme.

In addition, modern research has shown that the individual historian, however, determined upon impartiality, has seldom or never been able to escape entirely the influence of his own preconceptions and inherent sympathies: partricism or political leanings have often insensibly biased his outlook, or he has remembered too well that, as Professor Trevelyan put it, Clío is a Muse, which has led him involuntarily to desert strict accuracy at the lure of rhetoric and the moving passage. In particular, the partisan and patriotic view has always been in evidence in the school textbooks of every nation; and although, outside of the totalitarian States, there has been an improvement in recent years, the tendency is naturally an extremely difficult one to overcome.

The citizen, therefore, needs to realize the full emphasis on the word "study," and the necessity for summing up carefully for himself in the knowledge of several and differing verdicts, if he is to find in history a reliable guide.

FRANCO PLANS TO ATTACK MADRID

BEHIND EXCHANGE CONTROL

Tientsin, To-day.

Interviewed by Reuter, a leading Tientsin businessman stated his opinion that the objects behind the new trade exchange control regulations in North China would appear to be to force acceptance of Federal Reserve notes by foreign banks and give them an exchange value which they at present do not possess.

It had been declared that the old Chinese notes were circulating in the interior, and it was doubtful whether the decree would have much effect.

If foreign governments allow their nationals to agree to the new regulations it would be tantamount to admitting the right of the provisional government, which they do not recognise, to control trade in North China, and would undoubtedly lead to elimination of foreign interests built up over a number of years.

FOR ALL TO READ

Manchukuo was a signpost which all could read, and although the new regulations were framed in such a manner as to secure the co-operation of foreigners, there was no doubt that the ultimate object was to eliminate foreign interests for the benefit of Japan.

The only remedy appeared to be adequate retaliatory measures against Japan by the home Government. — Reuter.

SMALL FRENCH COASTER RUNS JAP. BLOCKADE

Manila, To-day.

Successfully running the Japanese blockade a small French coaster arrived here from Indo-China to-day carrying 400 tons alleged to be Chinese silver and gold earmarked for America.

The shippers are reported to be the Bank of China, and the consignment is being transferred to the "President Cleveland" sailing for Hong Kong on March 9 en route to San Francisco.

Local shippers, recalling the recent holding up of the "President Coolidge" at Shanghai by the Japanese authorities until she disgorged a similar cargo, speculate whether an attempt might be made to prevent the consignment reaching its destination.

The consignment is reported to be valued at several million pesos, and comprises 4,881

Misinformation About Situation In The Capital

ST. JEAN DE LUZ, TO-DAY.

GENERAL FRANCO HAS DECIDED TO ATTACK IN THE MADRID SECTOR, ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM BURGOS.

General Franco is said to be counting on a decisive military victory.

According to these reports the attitude of the Franco Government is very reserved regarding the events in Madrid, as it is felt the attitude of the National Defence Council is not clear.

It is pointed out that the promise by General Casado that ex-Premier Juan Negrin's principal followers would not be allowed to escape, was not put into effect.

Reports of serious Communist disorders in Madrid are also confirmed by Burgos, where it is stated that vigorous rifle and machine-gun fire was heard within the city from the Franco front in University City.

It is also stated that serious disorders have occurred at Cuenca, Albacete and Guadalajara.

The view held in Burgos is that the Madrid Defence Council is not by any means in complete control of Republican territory.

MADRID CONTRADICTION

This Burgos account of conditions in Madrid is belied by a report from Reuter's correspondent in Madrid.

The correspondent toured the Republican capital late in the afternoon, and states that the streets are being patrolled by the military and that all is quiet within the city.

The Communists who had barricaded themselves in two buildings have surrendered, he adds.

NEGOTIATIONS BEGUN

Also in contradiction to the Burgos reports of an impending attack on Madrid is the belief held in well-informed Paris quarters that negotiations for an armistice in Spain have already begun.

The Defence Junta in Madrid is reported to have in mind an armistice leading to complete settlement within a fortnight or three weeks.

At the same time, the Junta is asking for assurances of the safety of persons "implicated," particularly an opportunity for them to leave Spain.

APPEAL FOR ORDER

Meanwhile (says Reuter's Madrid correspondent) General Miaja, President of the Defence Council, yesterday appealed for order during

cases, including 2,261 cases of small money silver, 2,522 cases of big money silver and 58 special cases of silver and gold.

The French coaster, the "Loas," which brought the cargo, arrived from Saigon via Haiphong. — Reuter.

JAPANESE MASS TROOPS IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese authorities have massed about 50,000 troops between Shanghai and Soochow, according to reliable reports here.

A campaign to wipe out the guerrillas operating in that area is shortly to start. — Our Own Correspondent.

FAMED LOYALIST LEADERS LAND AT TOULOUSE

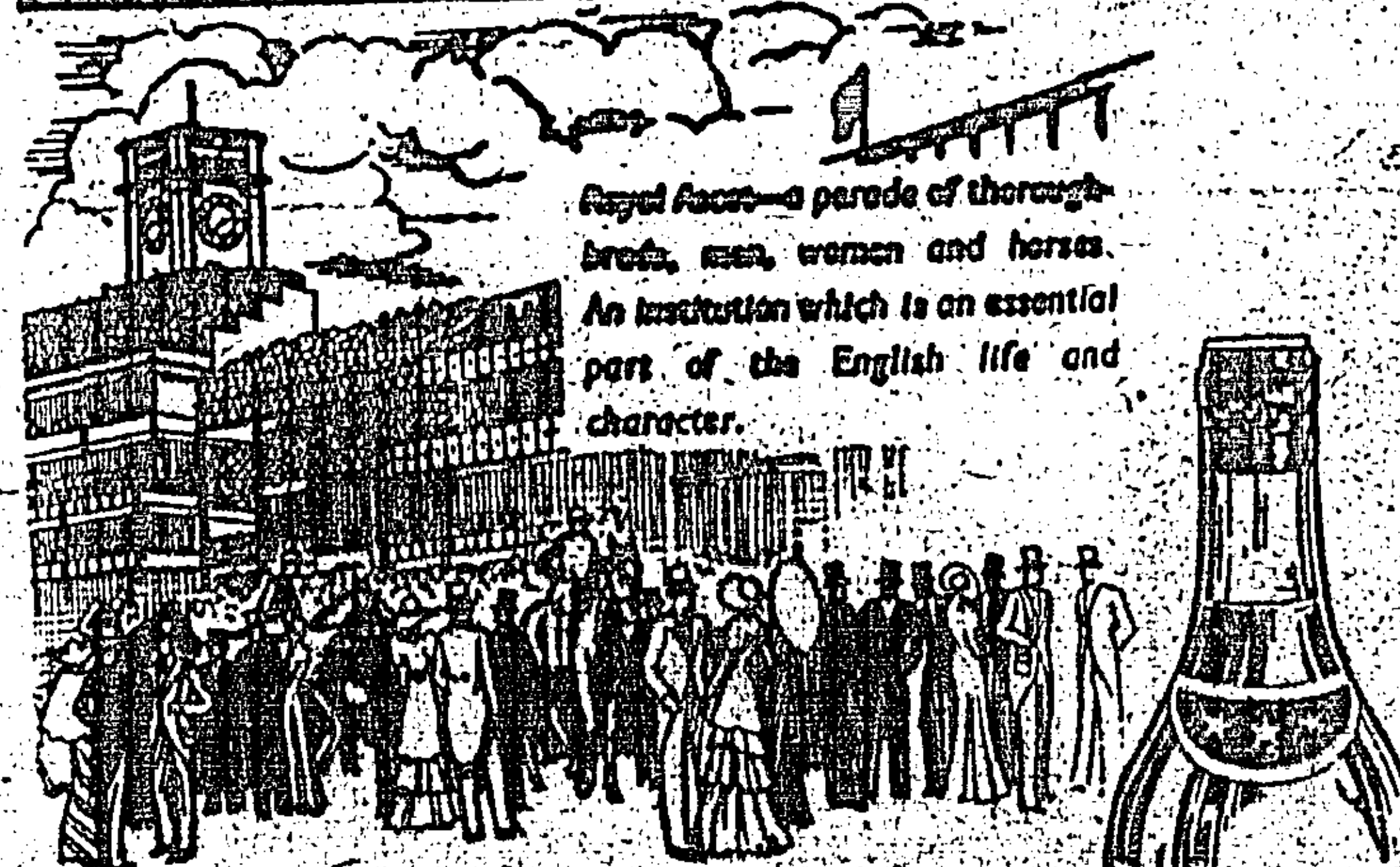
Toulouse, To-day.

General Juan Modesto, commander of the Army of the Ebro, was among three famous Spanish Republican leaders who arrived here by air yesterday.

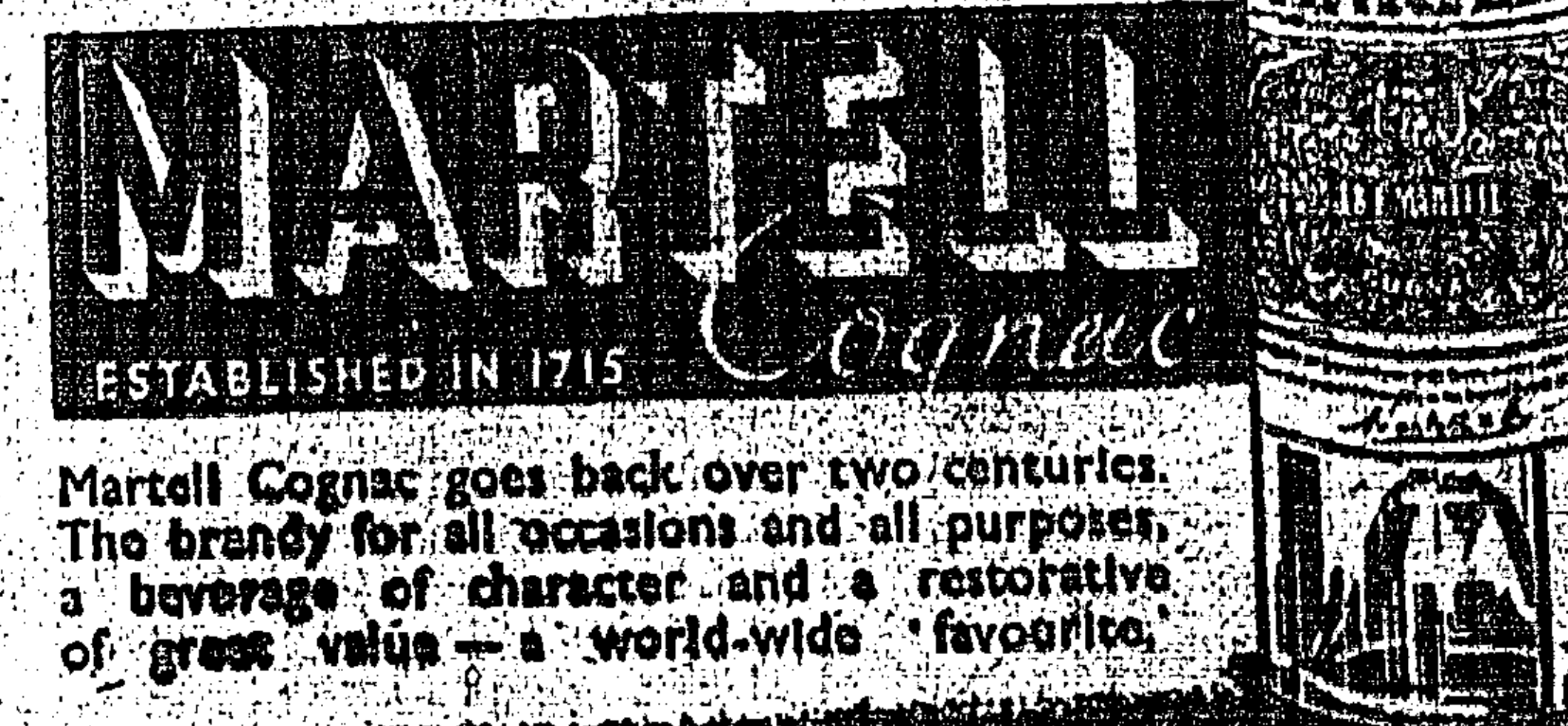
The others were General Hidalgo Decisneros, Chief of the Air Force, and Colonel Enrico Lister, commander of the Anarchists' Division. — Reuter.

A six year old boy, Fung Kee of No 3 New Street was found near the Ko Shing Theatre suffering from a fractured skull after being hit by an unknown vehicle. He died on the way to the Queen Mary Hospital.

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SOLICITORS WIN APPEAL

Swatow Lane Brothel Case Under Review

ANGLO-GERMAN COAL "ACCORD"

London, To-day. The Secretary for Mines, Captain H. F. Crookshank, answering a question in the House of Commons yesterday, declared in connection with the Anglo-German coal negotiations that it would be incorrect to speak at this stage of a concrete agreement.

It was rather a matter of clarifications between the British and German coal trades, and hence merely the first step towards international agreements.

Captain Crookshank, however, stated that during these negotiations progress had been achieved. — Trans-Ocean.

CHURCH DECREES AGAINST JEWS

Berlin, To-day. The Evangelical churches in Saxony, Mecklenburg and Anhalt, like the Evangelical church of Thuringia, have promulgated church laws prescribing that Jews may no longer become church members, neither may Jews any longer hold church offices.

Church taxes will in future not be collected from Jews who had become church members before the promulgation of the law. — Trans-Ocean.

NO LICENCE

A fine of \$20 was imposed on Wong Yuk-ying, of Nathan Road, by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning for possession of a radio-set without a licence on February 8.

Defendant stated that the set was presented to her by a friend and a licence had been taken out since she was told to do so by the Wireless Inspector.

Further Crown Action Foreshadowed

REPRESENTED BY MR. H. G. SHELDON, MESSRS. M. H. TURNER AND H. J. ARMSTRONG, TRUSTEES OF THE PAUL CHATER ESTATE, SUCCESSFULLY APPEALED AGAINST CONVICTION BY MR. R. A. D. FORREST, SENIOR MAGISTRATE, IN THE FULL COURT OF APPEAL BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MACGREGOR, AND THE PUISNE JUDGE, MR. JUSTICE R. E. LINDSELL, THIS MORNING.

Appellants were convicted and fined \$25 each on January 6 for permitting the first floor of No. 2, Swatow Lane, to be used as a brothel. The magistrate held that they had reasonable means of knowing that the premises were being kept as a brothel.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for respondent.

Mr. Sheldon contended that there was no evidence against appellants to cover the charge which, he said, could not come under the Ordinance. Counsel submitted that no such charge lay under the Ordinance.

The second ground of appeal was that appellants had no reasonable means of knowing that the premises were being used as a brothel, and the third ground was that the summons was improperly served.

OBJECTION TAKEN

Mr. Sheldon pointed out that at the Police Court he objected, prior to the opening of the case, that the summons was wrongly worded and that no such charge could be laid under the Ordinance, unless appellants were keepers or occupiers of the premises. This point, submitted Counsel, was conclusive.

"Permitting" meant wilfully. He explained that his objection to the summons was an invitation to amendment of the charge. This was, however, completely declined.

The case, went on Counsel, was not only of importance to landlords but also of great importance to appellants, who were Trustees of the Estate.

Referring to section 21, of the Magistrates Ordinance, which was quoted by the Magistrate in overruling Coun-

sel's objection, Mr. Sheldon contended that the effect of the section was that if the charge and evidence were at variance, the Magistrate could convict on what defendant appeared guilty of. If the Magistrate had done so, then, added Counsel, the present proceedings would not have arisen.

MEANS OF KNOWING

The Magistrate admitted that appellants had no actual knowledge that the premises were being used as a brothel, but stressed that they had reasonable means of knowing and convicted them on that point.

Referring to the Magistrate's remarks that appellants could either have visited the premises personally or employed some agent to do so and to report to them, then they might have known what was going on in the floor, Mr. Sheldon said he did not wish to appear humorous but he asked the Court to "imagine Mr. Turner and Mr. Armstrong visiting the premises at appropriate hours as customers."

Counsel added that if respondent proposed to plead wilful blindness, that would be negative in the face of the Magistrate's ruling that if steps had been taken the appellants might have found out what the premises were used for, and that they did not take those steps because they misconstrued the Ordinance.

Mr. Sheldon submitted that there was no such charge as that on which appellants had been convicted, and no evidence to cover the charge. Counsel told the Court that, according to a letter from the Crown, proceedings, such as Counsel suggested when he objected at the Magistracy, are contemplated should the appeal succeed.

WRONGLY SERVED

Mr. Sheldon submitted that the summons should have been served on the tenant, Chue Cheung. The immediate landlord was the person on whom the notice should have been served. The owner had power to get rid of the tenant, and the tenant, in turn, to get rid of the sub-tenant.

It was remarkable for respondents to claim that they had discretion to choose on whom the notice should be served.

Mr. Sheldon submitted that the trustees were correct throughout and asked for the appeal to be allowed.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, agreed that the summons was wrongly worded. He submitted that all it was required to prove was that the summons was served and that the tenants of the premises had been convicted twice in three months for keeping brothels in the premises.

The onus was, submitted Mr. Prentis, on appellants to prove that they had no reasonable means of knowing what was going on in the house. Notices of convictions of the tenants were sent to them.

Mr. Mackinlay's evidence described Chue Cheung as an undesirable. Why, asked the Assistant Crown Solicitor, did they not send for him to find out what was going on in the premises. Appellants had the opportunity of finding out what the premises were being used for, and although the summons was badly worded, appellants were rightly convicted.

APPEAL ALLOWED

The Chief Justice, after conferring with the Puisse Judge, allowed the appeal and said that in view of the importance of the case and the fact that other proceedings were contemplated, written judgment would be given later. No order was made regarding costs, but the fines were ordered to be remitted.

POPE GIVES AUDIENCES

ROME, TO-DAY.

POPE PIUS XII MAY GIVE A SECOND AUDIENCE TO THE FOUR GERMAN CARDINALS WHO CAME TO ROME FOR THE ELECTION. THE FIRST AUDIENCE TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY.

According to the Turin paper "Stampa," which is generally well-informed on Vatican matters, this second audience will have an important bearing on relations between the Vatican and the German Reich. It is scheduled to take place on May 12, after the Coronation of the Pope.

The Pope began the giving of private audiences yesterday in the newly furnished Papal private library where His Holiness received in turn Cardinal Maglione, the Prefect of Congregation of Council and Cardinal La Puma, the Prefect of Congregation of Orders as well as the North American Cardinal Archbishop of Boston and Cardinal Muendelein, Archbishop of Chicago. — Trans-Ocean.

ARMED ROBBERY CHARGE

For having committed an armed highway robbery Wong Cherk, 20, and Chan Hing, 24, were this morning charged at the Kowloon Court before Mr. E. Himsworth.

It was alleged by the Prosecuting Officer, Det. Sergt. C. Dowman, that defendants had committed the crime on a hilltop above Grampan Road, Kowloon City, being at the time accompanied by another Chinese man who is not as yet in Police custody, and had robbed Wong Tak, of \$2.04, a gold wrist-watch, a gold finger-ring, a police whistle and other articles.

On the request of the Prosecutor, the case was formally remanded one week.

MILK NOT UP TO STANDARD

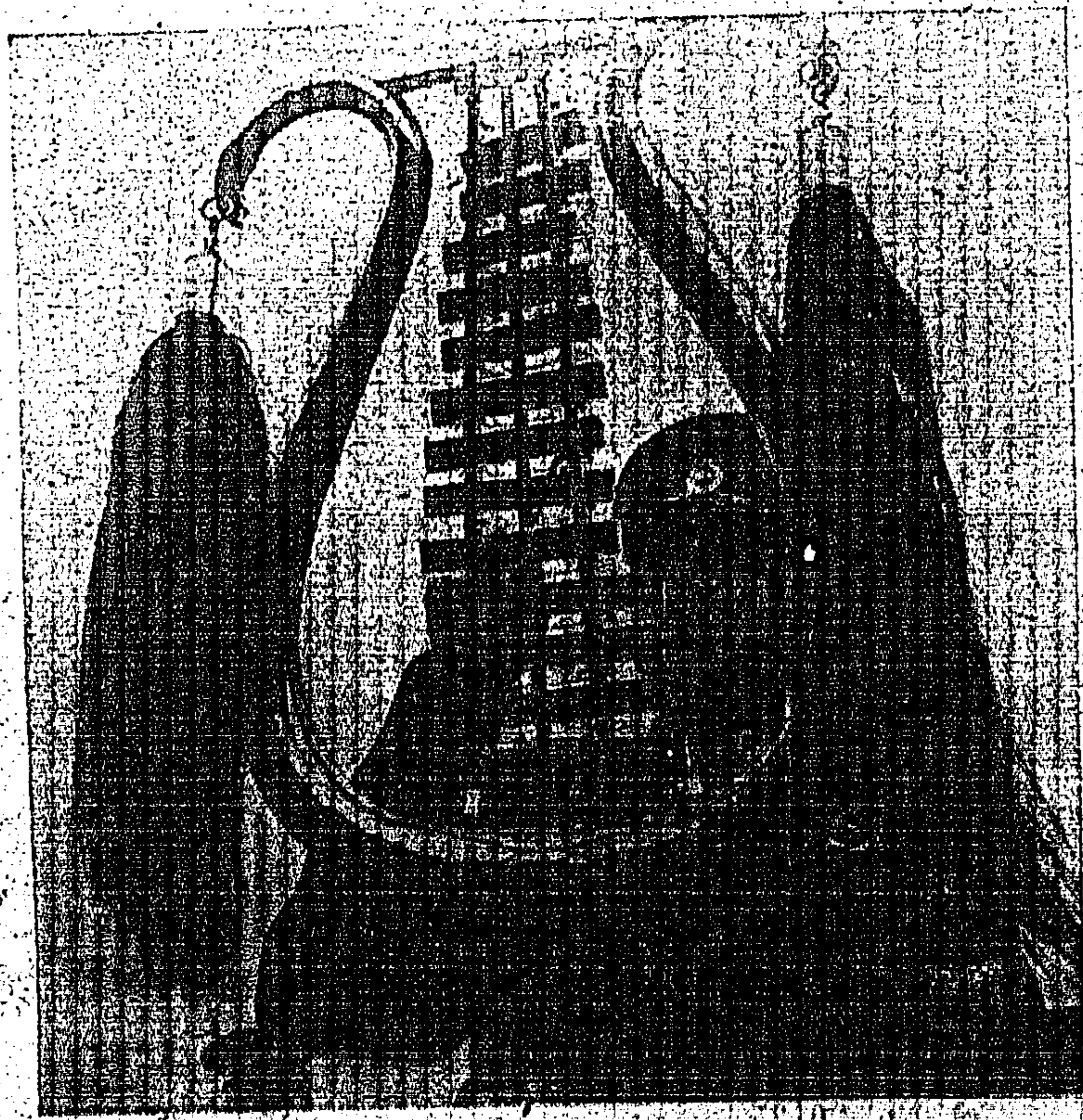
Wong Man-fai, of No. 31, Wing Lok Street, ground floor, was this morning summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy for selling milk that was not up to the required standard and was fined \$5.

Inspector Chater prosecuted and said that the analyst's report showed that the milk was 7.4% deficient in fat.

Defendant pleaded guilty and stated that the milk had been obtained in that state from the cow.

ARMS ON JUNK

For having had a rifle and 56 rounds of ammunition on board his fishing junk No. 12759H at the Kaumati Typhoon Shelter on March 6, Wu Fuk, the master of the junk, was fined \$10 and the rifle and ammunition ordered to be confiscated, by Mr. E. Himsworth this morning at the Kowloon Magistracy.



This photograph was taken at the R.N. School of Music at Deal and shows a young bandman now under tuition at the school. Most of the youthful musicians, whose ages range from 14 to 17, will later join bands of the Royal Marines. Photo shows a novel angle of the glockenspiel player in the boys' band. The average age of the boys in the band is 16 years 5 months.

News Snack Bar

"SQUARE DEAL" FOR NURSES

Grants to hospitals and representation for nurses on hospital committees are urged by the T.U.C. National Committee on Nursing. It has been considering the interim report of the Government Committee on Nursing.

An announcement stated that the T.U.C. "welcomed the drastic improvements in the services' conditions which were recommended."

GAVE 45,000 RADIOS

Nearly 45,000 blind persons throughout Britain have now been provided with radio by the Wireless for the Blind Fund. This is shown in the Fund's annual report. Providing these sets has cost more than £117,000.

"Less than eighteen months from the date that the Congress at Norwich called attention to the serious shortage of nurses, a Government Committee has verified the conclusions of the T.U.C., and there is a striking resemblance between many of their recommendations and the charter drafted by the T.U.C. at Norwich," it adds.

"The Committee feels, however, that the full value of the improvements in nurses' conditions will not be secured unless assistance to hospitals by grants from public funds is accepted. Care of the unfit and cure of disease is a national service. It should not be permitted to lose its efficiency merely because of an insufficient flow of public charity," the statement goes on.

23 YEARS IN ONE SHIP

When the Union Castle liner Edinburgh Castle completed her last voyage at Southampton a member of her crew lost a home. Throughout the whole of the vessel's twenty-two-year-old Frederick Carter had served in the ship as an engineroom greaser.

He has never missed a trip or lost a day through illness. This is believed to be a record in the British merchant service.

In this twenty-eight years he has made 135 voyages to the Cape and back, covering an aggregate of 1,600,000 miles.

He is the oldest employee of the Union Castle Line afloat, with fifty years' service.

NEW ZEALAND DEFENCE PLEA

A volunteer defence army of 20,000 was advocated by Mr. Barnard, Speaker of the New Zealand House of Representatives yesterday. If Britain were involved in a war, he declared, New Zealand would also be involved. He gave Britain a lead, too, in proposing a ballot for men if the quota was not filled by volunteers.



RECOGNISE HIM?—Few people would recognise H. G. Wells in this photograph. It was taken when he visited a Koala Bear Farm in South Australia during his holiday tour there.

AMERICA PLANS DEFENCE HIGHWAYS

Building of transcontinental roads across the United States is being discussed with great interest by Congress.

President Roosevelt was asked at a Press conference, whether new roads would be necessary to move mobile anti-aircraft and other defence equipment. He said Congress's investigations dealt also with north and south roads. President Roosevelt added that sufficient factories existed for the building of planes, but that skilled workmen were lacking.

BREAKING AND ENTERING

There's been a case of house-breaking at the little village of Heytesbury, Wiltshire. But

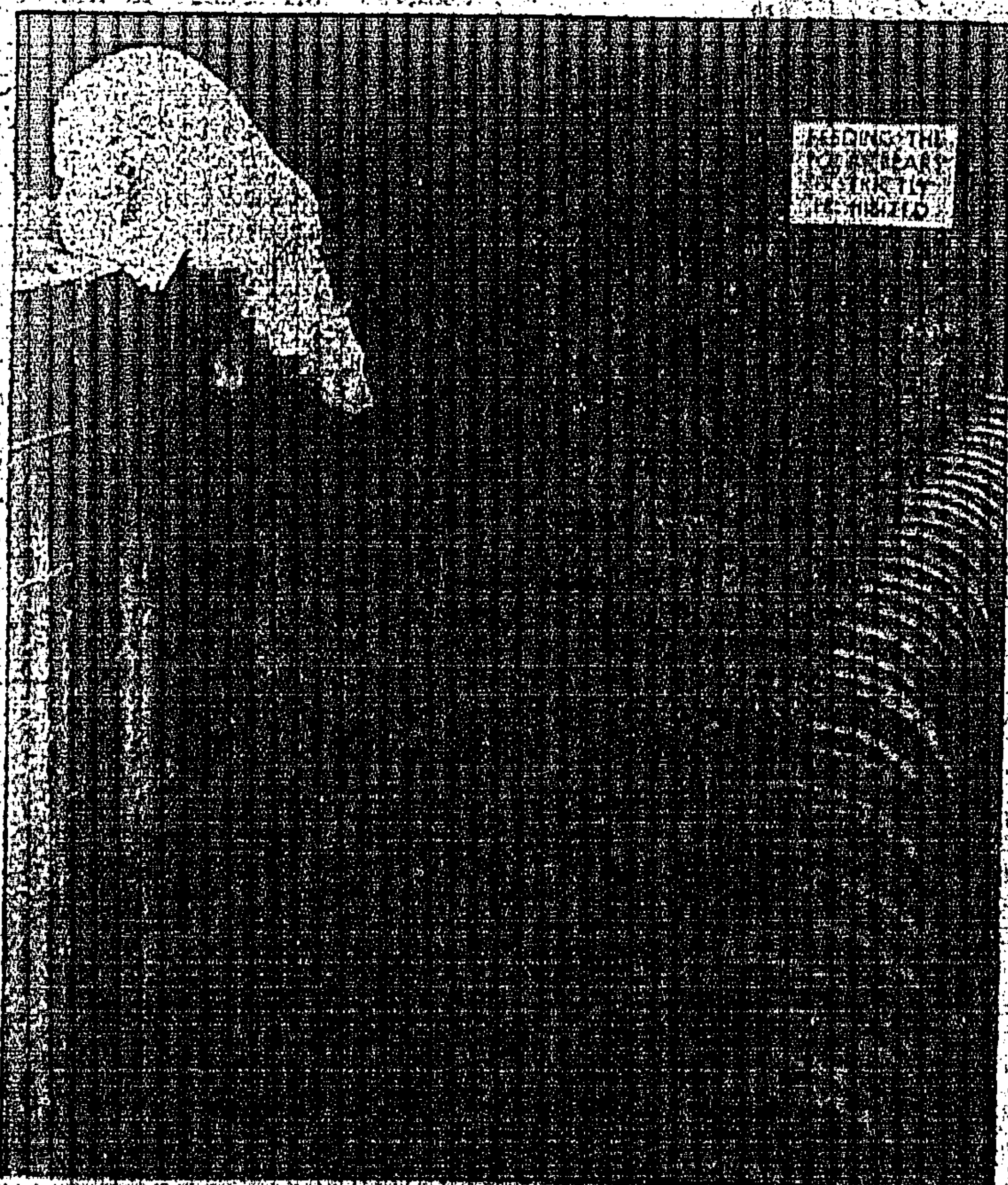
Warship For Cape

South Africa's Government has bought the British monitor, H.M.S. Erebus, from Great Britain, according to reports in Cape-town yesterday. Erebus (above) will be used for the defence of Table Bay (Cape-town), pending the installation of 15in. guns on Robben Island. After these guns have been mounted, Erebus will go to Durban, the Union's second port.

Erebus (7,200 tons) was completed in 1916. Her armament consists of two 15in. guns, two 4in. guns, two 3in. guns and twelve smaller guns. A similar vessel, the Terror, went five years ago to guard Singapore.

THINGS THAT SHOCK ENGLAND

"In England not only is every foreigner shocking, but also anyone who eats with appetite." So writes Dr. von Kries in a Berlin paper. "The gift of shocking intentionally belongs only to the real true Englishman. He treads on the toes of other people in order to show that he is master of everything in the world. . . . You cannot take salt yourself (in England). It must be offered to you. But if you do take it yourself at table, you must first offer it to your neighbour. Anyone who wants to be recognised one of these islanders on the Continent need only watch how he eats soup (out of the side of a spoon)." For a German this is a very embarrassing situation.



LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAP—Pavlov, the Polar bear at the London Zoo, has one great ambition. He wants to explore the dyke which surrounds his home but, unfortunately, there is a fifteen foot drop, and like all good bears Pavlov looks before he leaps. Pavlov surveys the 15ft. drop and wonders whether he dare make the attempt.

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FIVE WORDS PLAC 100 IN DOUBT Rich Man Of 81 Will Decide

Five words in a \$568,000 will mean that 100 people are in doubt whether or not they will receive legacies totalling about £90,000.

The words are, "Failing appointment by my brother," contained in the will of 83-years-old jewel broker, Sir Arthur Levy.

And they mean that Sir Arthur left the final decision as to the disposition of his property to his brother, Mr. Alexander Michael Levy, aged 81, or failing such decision, then he bequeathed the property to certain other people mentioned in the will.

Mr. A. M. Levy, like his brother, upon trust to "my friend Fanny who died last November, is a Pellas for life."

KNEW OF LEGACY

The words may bring to 40 friends, relatives, and employees of Sir Arthur more than £60,000; to 40 miscellaneous charities about £11,000; and to 25 hospitals about £20,000 between them, writes a "Daily Mail" reporter.

The only substantial bequest which is not subject to Mr. A. M. Levy's "appointment" is £20,000

The Secretary of M. J. Levy and Nephews, precious stone and pearl brokers, of Holborn-viaduct, in which Sir Arthur and Mr. A. M. Levy were the partners, said that "Fanny Pellas" is Mme. Fanny Pellas, a lifelong friend of the two brothers, who lives in France.

"She knew all about the legacy," the Secretary said.

"Sir Arthur put the 'appointment' clause in lest he and his brother should die within such a short time of each other that the surviving brother would not have time to make provision."

They acted for King Edward VII, as advisers in the cutting of the Cullinan diamond.

THE OTHERS

Among those affected by the five word clause are:

£12,500 each, "and my interest in the offices in Holborn-viaduct, to my clerk, Herbert John Burridge and Guy Tooth." (Mr. Tooth, who is in the forties, is not disappointed as he knew of the overriding clause. Mr. Burridge is dead).

£1,000 to Lord Southborough.
£2,000 on trust to his stenographer, Ethel Brown.

£50 each to his hairdressers, W. G. Nives and Arthur Berger.
£50 to his chiropodist, Joseph M. Nock.

A model of the Cullinan Diamond to the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths.

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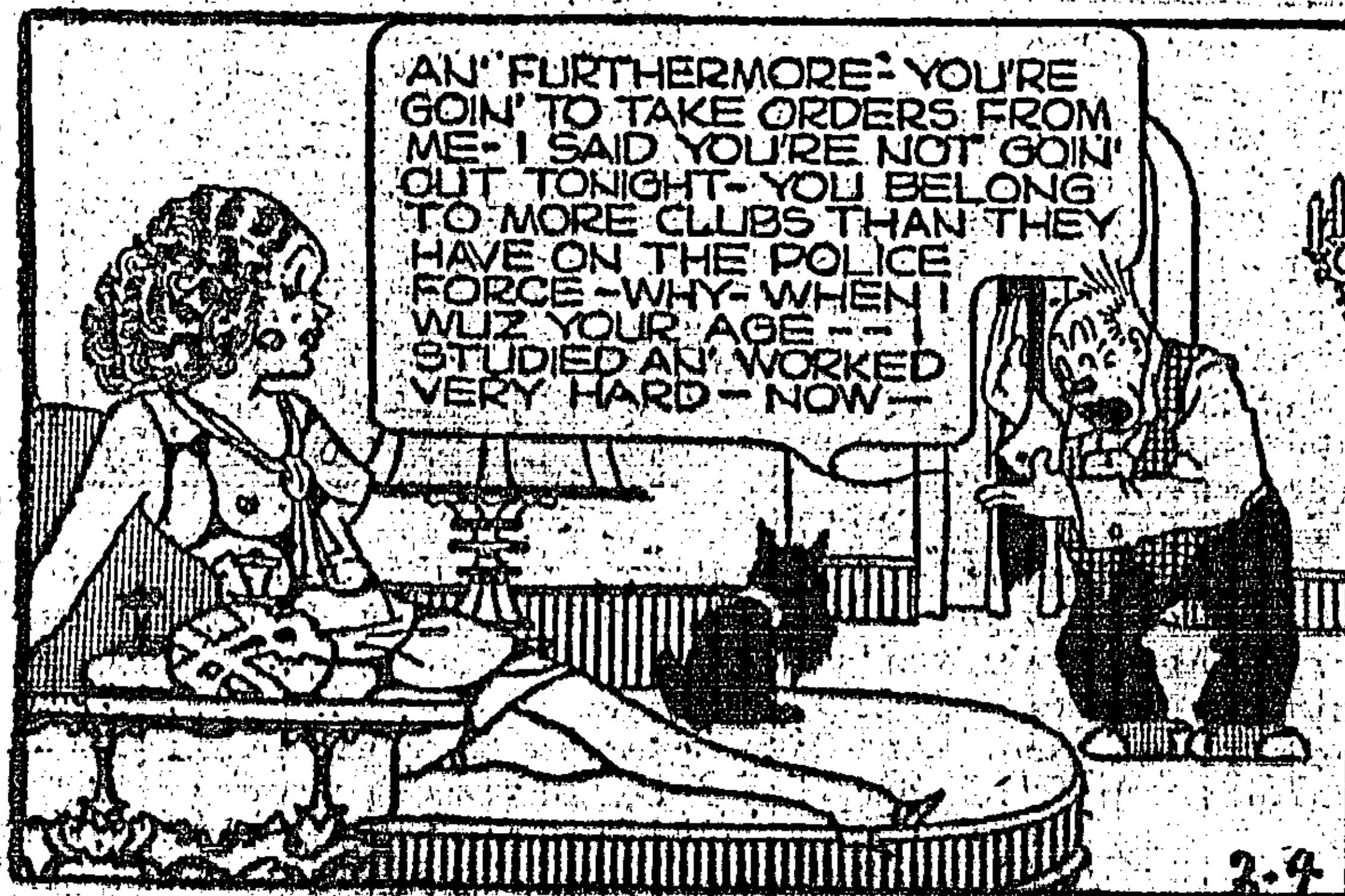
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The first view of Hong Kong which presents itself to the traveller's eye as he enters the harbour, either by the Lyeemun Pass or the Sulphur Channel, is an unforgettable one—the steep, tree-clad slopes of the island, dotted with residences, sweeping up majestically from the blue water of the harbour, while the crowded buildings of the city on the water's edge seem almost like a wave of masonry that has splashed and hardened on the hillside.

Few places, if any—Algiers, Mésina, Rio included—can show so exquisite and fairy-like a scene. To appreciate its beauty to the full one must view it from Kowloon or, better still, from mid-harbour. The water-front is one continuous blaze of brilliance from end to end, white, green, blue and red; behind, the lights thin gradually as they mount the hillside; long lines of lights show here and there where a roadway climbs the steep. Then comes a patch of blackness, where neither road nor house can cling to the precipitous rock; and above that are the lights of Lugard Road, that encircles the Peak, looking like a jewelled necklace upon the bosom of the night. Here is a memory of loveliness that the visitor can never lose.

draw their supplies in old days. Prior to 1841 there was no recognised name for the Island. The anchorage at Aberdeen (a picturesque fishing village on the side opposite the Harbour) was known to sailors as Heung Kong. The Chinese characters representing that name may be translated by "Fragrant Streams" or "Fragrant Harbour." Another possible rendering is "Heung's Harbour," the haunt of a notorious pirate named Heung.

Kowloon (the mainland opposite Hong Kong) is the anglicised form of the Chinese Kau Lung (nine dragons). This name is derived from the ridge of nine hills which form a rampart along the northern side of the harbour and seem to be guarding the approach to China. You may see

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Facts About Hong Kong--

HONG KONG is an island about 10 miles long and from 2 to 6½ miles broad, with a total area of 32 square miles; it lies close to the mainland, being separated at one point by a narrow strait (Lyeemoo) not more than a quarter-mile wide, and was first occupied by Great Britain in January, 1841, being formally ceded by the Treaty of Nanking in 1842; British Kowloon was subsequently acquired by the Peking Convention of 1860; and the New Territories, being a peninsula in the southern part of the Kwangtung province, by a lease signed June 9, 1898. The whole colony comprises an area of about 891 square miles, with a population of close on 1,500,000, due primarily to the present conflict.

A-Free Port

The capital of the colony is Victoria, which lies along the northern shore of the island, facing the mainland; and between the mainland and the city is the harbour which is one of the finest in the world, with a water area of some 10 square miles. With the exception of liquor and tobacco the port is free, and is fortified. It possesses excellent docks, capable of holding the largest vessels for the purposes of repair. There is a considerable ship repairing and construction industry. The railway, of which 23 miles belong to the Government, which once ran from Kowloon to Canton, is now out of use due to bombings, but trains still run to Fanling. Good roads connect the principal

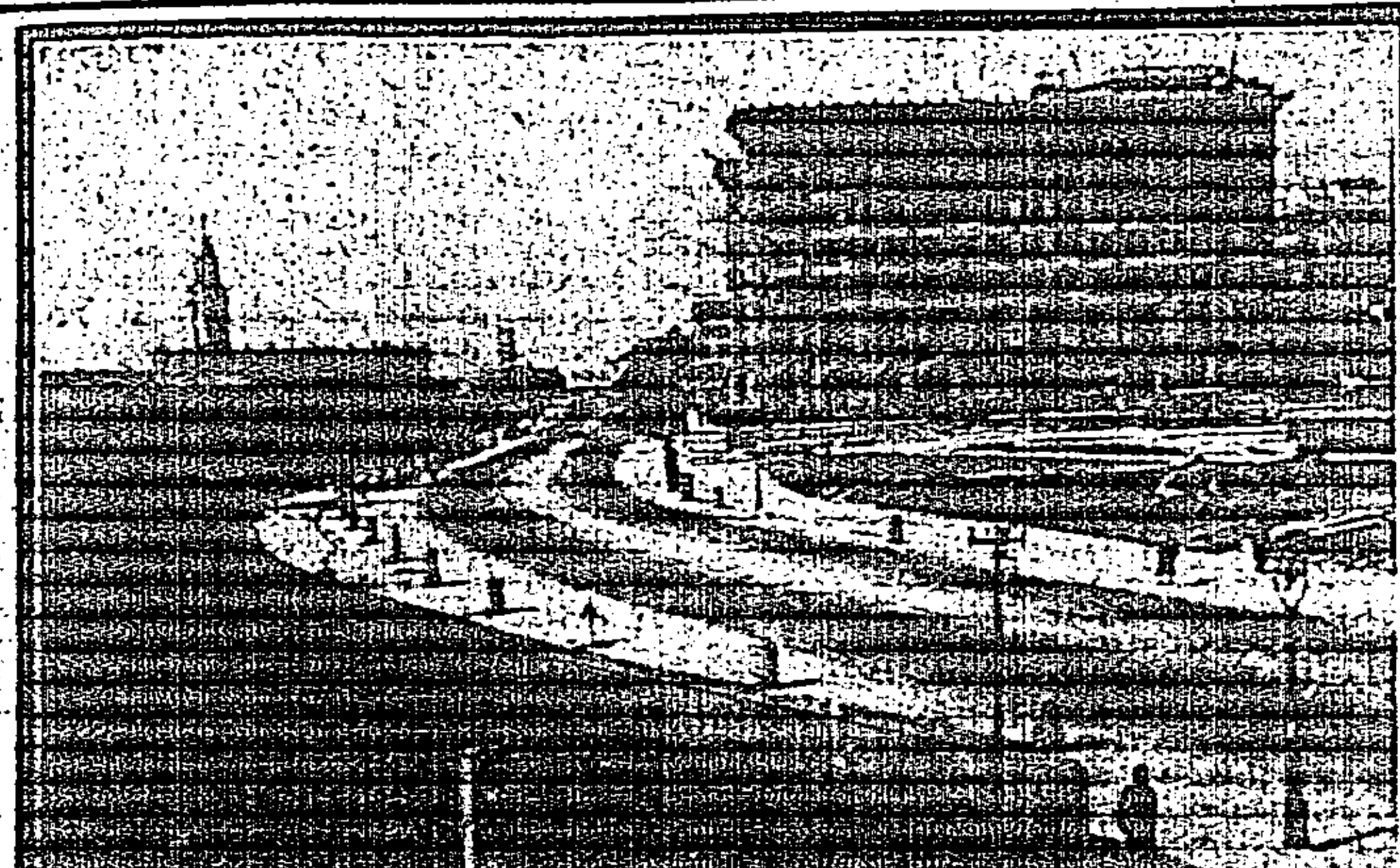
districts with the railway.

Climate

The island is broken in shape and mountainous, the highest point being Victoria Peak, which is about 1,820 feet high. The Peak District is a favourite place of residence, and is reserved for Europeans. The new Territories contain peaks from 1,800 to 3,000 feet. The hot season lasts from May to October. During the winter months, from November to March, the climate is cooler, drier, and more invigorating. The average daily maximum temperature ranges from 87 degrees in July to 63 degrees in February, and the average daily minimum temperature from 78 degrees in July to 55 degrees in February. The average annual rainfall is 84 in., of which no less than 75 per cent. falls between May and September, when the S. W. monsoon prevails.

Vast Trade

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Giant Brass Image Of Five Dragon Temple In Kowloon City

FIVE Dragon Temple" at Kowloon City is well worth the trouble of visiting as it contains many objects of interest to the European. Hanging on the wall is a scroll in English which gives the history of the giant "Chan Mo" or "Pak Tai", as it is known in the vernacular, an image over 500 years old reposing on the altar of honour.

Mr. Tsang Foo, local coal merchant, was mainly responsible for the temple's erection, having purchased the brass idol from Canton and supervised the building outside his villa and school. A typical example of foreign influence in Chinese life is noticeable in Mr. Tsang's house which adjoins the temple. The grounds contain buildings of strictly Chinese type and the semi-European type while a Chinese pond has two foreign-style rowing boats in it and the garden has a wind-driven water condenser made in Illinois, U.S.A.

There are images worked in brass of a tortoise and a snake which represent the deities who carry out God's benevolent orders. That the natives of Kowloon attach much

and Tong To Chan, the Priest in Charge). The image was the property of the Sze Tsz Shim Lam Monastery, and that it fell into the hands of some ordinary individuals after the political change in the San Hoi year. On reference to some Taoist Authorities, it has been found that "Chan Mo" was born in the 3rd moon of the 3rd year of the Emperor Hoi of the Tsui Dynasty. He was born a divine sage. He took oath to remove all evil spirits, and to protect the people. He gave up his secular life, and took upon the study of Taoism. After pursuing his study in Mo Tung Hill for 43 years, he succeeded in becoming an immortal. He took the North under his protection. He showed his appearance on the solicitation of any man, and suppressed any evil spirit when asked to. He came down among the people every Kang San or Kap Tsz day and every 3rd or 7th day, to remove all causes of misfortune. It is stated in the Annals of the Mo Tung Hill that the place where Chan Mo resided in retirement, was the Five Dragon Monastery. During the Dynasties of the Emperors Tong Tai Chung and Sung Chan, Chung, he showed great divine prodigy on different occasions, and much more in the Yuen and Ming Dynasties. When the Emperor Shai Tso of the Yuen Dynasty first established his capital at Peking, he

help of Chan Mo, who came down to guide the 6 Armies of the Emperor. To award his services, great repairs were made to his Temple. Then prosperity reigned throughout the Empire, and the power of the Emperor was extended to the farthest country. Indeed the different temples built in honour of Chan Mo were as numerous as stars in the sky. This shows that the worship of this god was more zealous in the Sung Dynasty than in the reign of Yuen, and therefore his temples could be found everywhere in the Empire.

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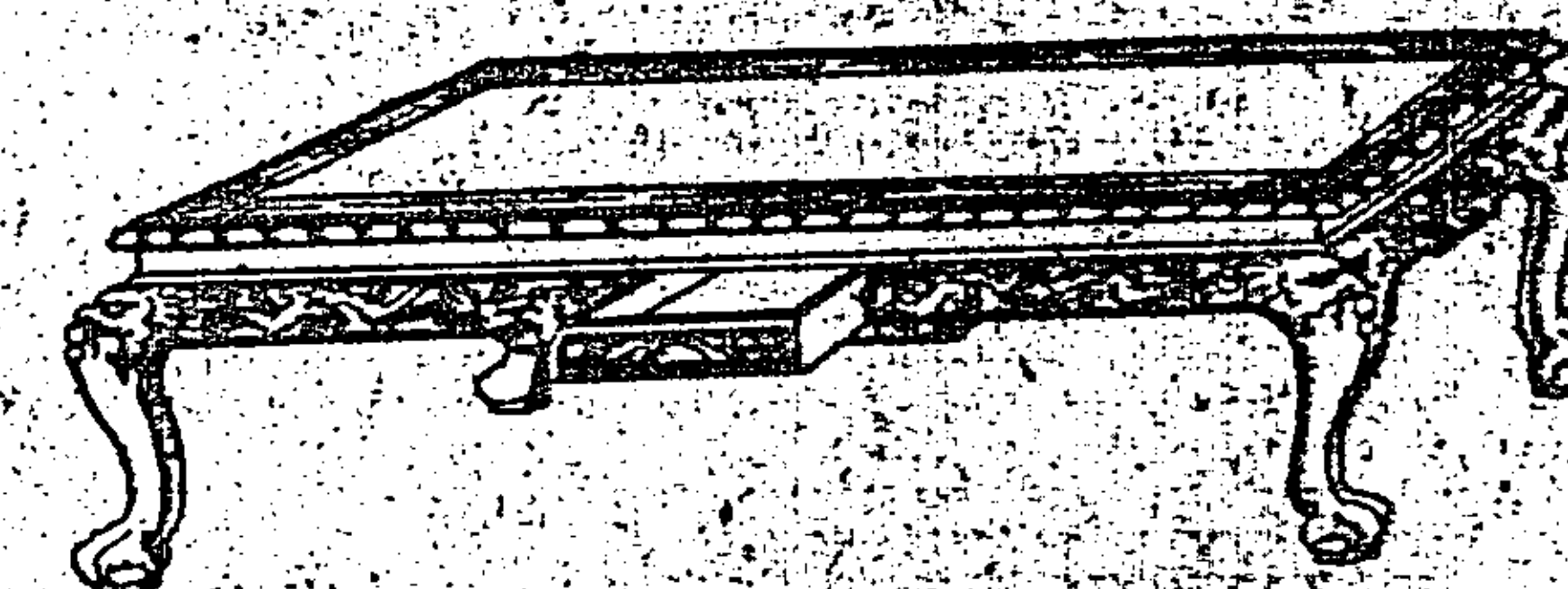
This brass image was manufactured under the supervision of a native of Tai Hing of Shun Tin. From this we can tell that it was made at Peking and during the Dynasty of Wing Lok. The date Kwai Mau of the Emperor Mau Lik inscribed thereon is the date of the erection of the Temple and not the date of the manufacture of the image. The Imperial Inspector-General of Canton Shipping and Salt Commissioner engraved on the image was the builder of the Temple, but unfortunately his name has been torn off. However, during the Dynasty of Shan Chung many servants of the Imperial Household were sent out to make heavy levies on the

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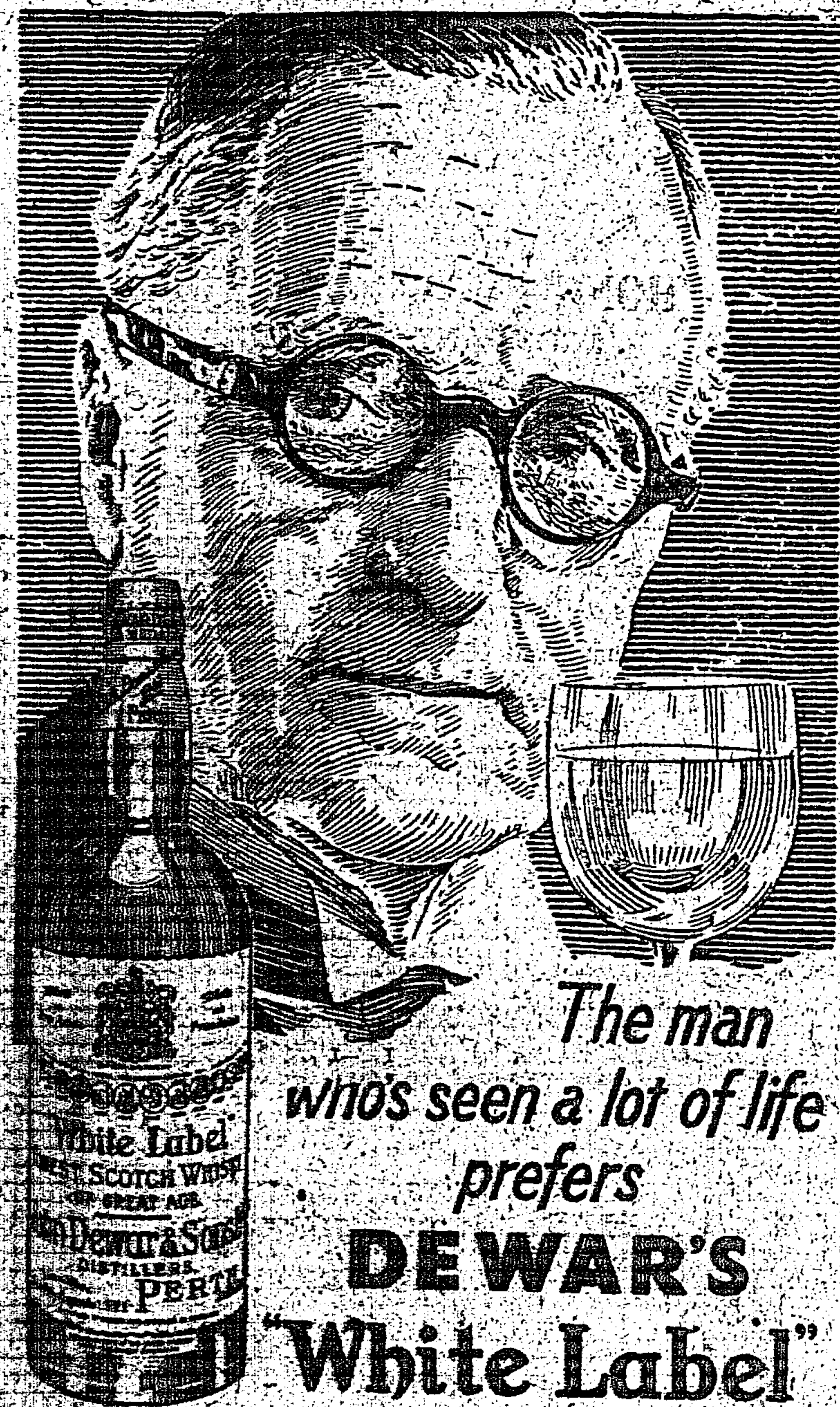
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Picturesque Hong Kong

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to its shores. From the sea, and a yearly range of from 45 to 99 degrees, but it occasionally falls below 40, and ice has been known to occur on the Peak. The hills are generously planted with trees of many varieties, both imported and native. The hills, which are mainly composed of granite, rise in irregular masses to considerable heights, the loftiest point, Victoria Peak, reaching an altitude of 1,825 feet.

There abound beautifully laid-out gardens, public and private, and solidly constructed roads, some of them bordered with bamboos and other delicately-fronded trees, and fringed with the luxuriant growth of semi-tropical

vegetation. The temperature has

The Shopping Centre
Naturally you will be interested to hear about the City and the wonderful shops, both European and Chinese, which attract the tourist from all parts of the world. The central areas of the City are well built, the roads and streets are for the most part admirably made and kept up, and many of the thoroughfares are delightfully shaded with well-grown trees. The European business quarter occupies the middle of the City, from Pottinger Street to the Naval Yard, but with the exception of this limited area almost all the lower levels, especially the western district, are covered by a dense mass of Chinese shops and tenements. On the mainland new industrial and residential areas are rapidly springing up.

Round The Island

What has been well described as one of the most magnificent drives in the world is that by mo-

tor car round the Island. The route followed is from Queen's Road Central, thence into Garden Road, past Government House and the Botanic Gardens, along Caine Road, Bonham Road, past the University of Hong Kong, along Pokfulam Road, Aberdeen Road to Repulse Bay, where a stop can be had for refreshments or the more enjoyable tiffin. Leaving Repulse Bay Hotel the journey is proceeded with to Stanley Bay, Tytamtuk Reservoir, and Sai Wan Gap and thence to Shauiwan. Within a short time Taikoo Dock is reached, and from there it is a very short drive back to the original point of departure.

The entire drive covers a distance of 26 miles, but the scenery en route cannot adequately be described in mere prose. It has to be seen to be appreciated as it deserves. Next to the ascent and descent of the Peak it is a trip that no tourist should omit from his programme of sight-seeing.

CHINESE CURIOS

NOWHERE in the world do you feel so much enticed to make purchases as when you are in China, especially in Hong Kong, for everything is so quaint and unusual that you feel you must take something home.

Don't forget a curio is not beautiful because it is old. Unless you know something about it you should not buy or pay an exorbitant price for a so called antiquity which, when you take it home you will not know where to place it. Make it a rule to buy only at well established firms with a good reputation.

When buying of a reputable firm you will get an honest opinion and will not be asked more than the article is worth though it is possible that even the dealer himself may be mistaken, for experts hold varying opinions.

The idea that every Chinese must know something about curios and Chinese art is wrong — not every Frenchman knows what a good wine is and not every Lancashire man is an authority on cotton goods.

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HONG KONG HEIGHTS

FOR the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

Islands	Feet.
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Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Tram Station	1305
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Man Mo Temple—Hollywood Road.
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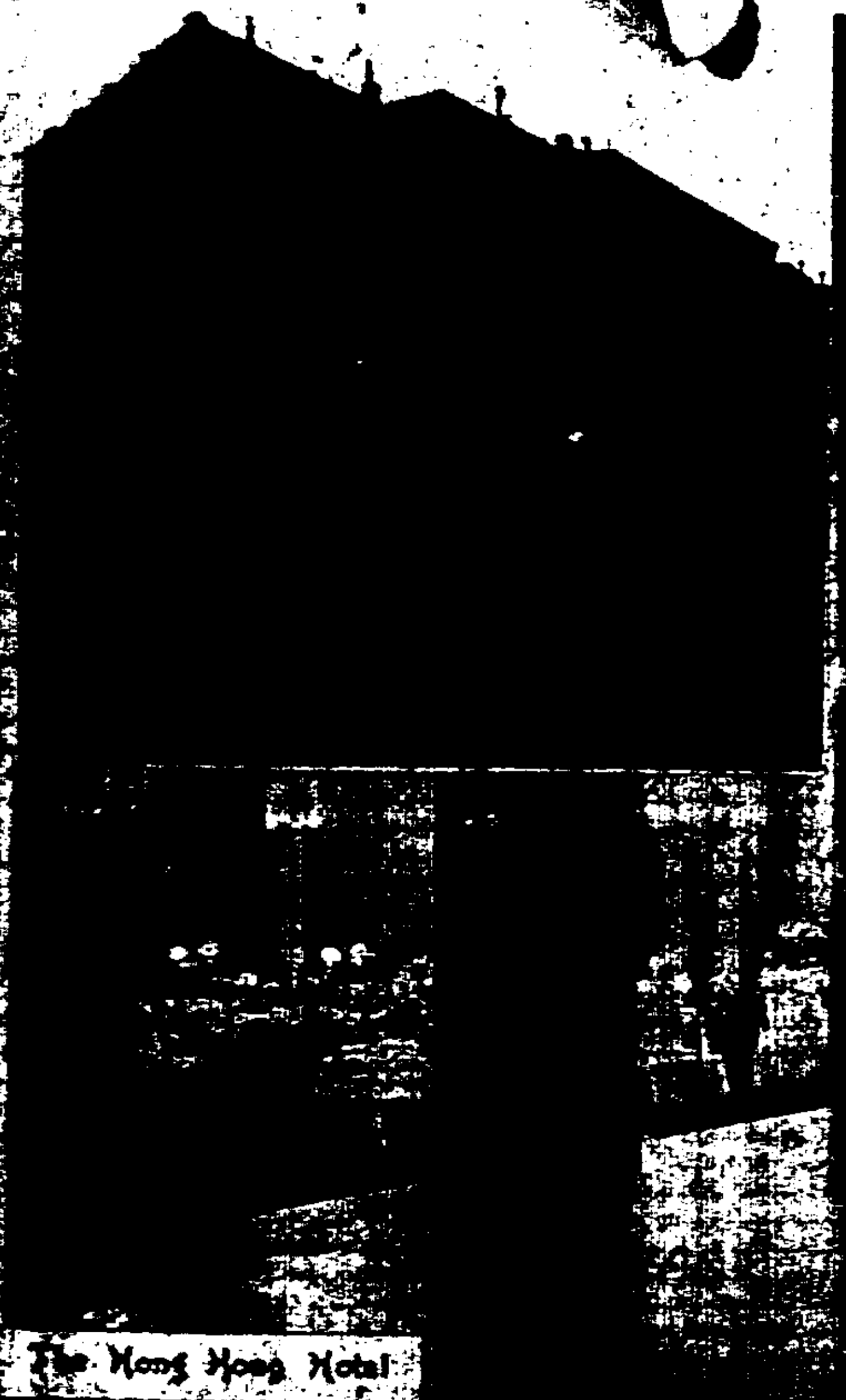
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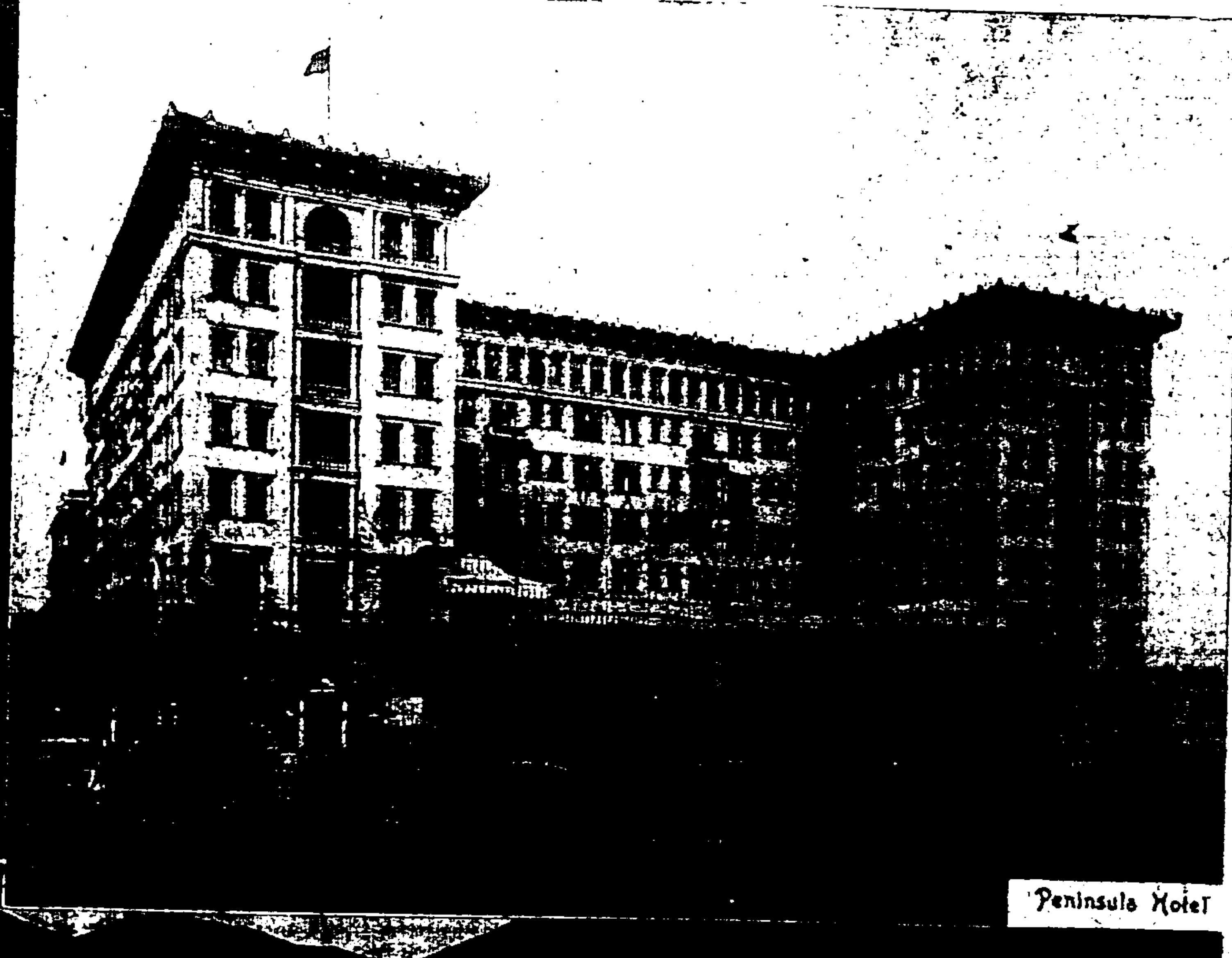
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"Chan Mo"

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History of the brass image of
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Dragon Monastery.

"Mr. Tsang Shiu-wing alias
Tsang Foo bought the image at
Canton for a sum of \$1,200. It
measures 8 feet high, and weighs
over 1,000 catties. At the left of
its robe are inscribed the 13
characters, "Yam Chai Tuk Li
Kwong Tung Chu Chi Shi Pok
Kim Kun Im" (Imperial Inspector-
General of Canton Shipping and
Salt Commissioner), but the part
beneath this has been torn away.
At the right corner are found the
17 characters, "Tai Ming Man Lik
Sam Shap Yat Nin Shui Chi Kwai
Mau Kwai Chau Kat Yat Kin"
(manufactured on a lucky day in
the 9th moon of the Kwai Mau
year, i.e., the Thirty-First year of
Man Lik of the Great Ming
Dynasty). On the back of the
image there are 21 characters in
3 rows, which read thus:—"Pak
King Shun Tin Fu Tai Hing Yuen
Cheung Chiu Wong Tso Kun Tso
Chu Chi To Shi Tong To Chan"
(manufactured under the super-
vision of Cheung Chin and Wong
Tso of the Tai Hing District of
the Shun Tin Prefecture, Peking

Ko Leung river in the 12th moon this we can deduce that the image
of the year, prophesying the
foundation of the Sung Dynasty.
A temple was therefore built for
his worship. Seventy-four years
later, on a "Tin Shau" festival in
the Yan Chung Dynasty, he again
showed his appearance in Mo
Tung Hill.

Kam Luk Temple

Therefore, the Kam Luk Temple
was built, and the Five Dragon
Monastery was renovated to make
offerings to him every year. In the
years of the Emperor Wing Lok of
the Ming Dynasty, great develop-
ment was again made to this Tem-
ple and Monastery. In the record
of the Mo Tung Hill, by Wong To-
kwan, will be found the follow-
ing quotations:—"Powerful is
Emperor Shing Tso. He is great,
divine, and awe-inspiring. Under
his peace prevailed at home and
abroad. All this was owing to the

Alas! over 500 years have elaps-
ed since the Wing Lok Dynasty.
The image was removed from
Peking to Canton, and again from
a Taoist Temple into a Buddhist
Monastery and just some time ago
it had a narrow escape from be-
ing destroyed. Can it be the case
that even a lifeless object has its
time of prosperity and misfor-
tune?

The Temple

Mr. Tsang, having obtained
the image, erected a tem-
ple for it at Kowloon under the
name of the Five Dragon Temple
the very original name of the
Monastery from which it came.
This history is written for the ad-
vice of those who may worship the
god and pray him to remove any
cause of misfortune.

Written by the True Retired
Scholar of Kowloon on the 15th
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View From The Peak

A fine view of Kowloon with the Peninsula Hotel dominating the landscape and shore front catches the eye. Great steamers and hundreds of shipping craft is a sight long to be remembered.

The low flat promontory on the coast at the further end of the harbour is called the Praya East Reclamation, all reclaimed land. Behind Hong Kong is Dumbell Island, Cheung Chau, a popular resort during the summer season amongst Europeans, with fine bathing beaches. Finally the Peak is reached, where a stop is advised to visit the Peak Tram terminus and enjoy the panorama.

At The Water Front

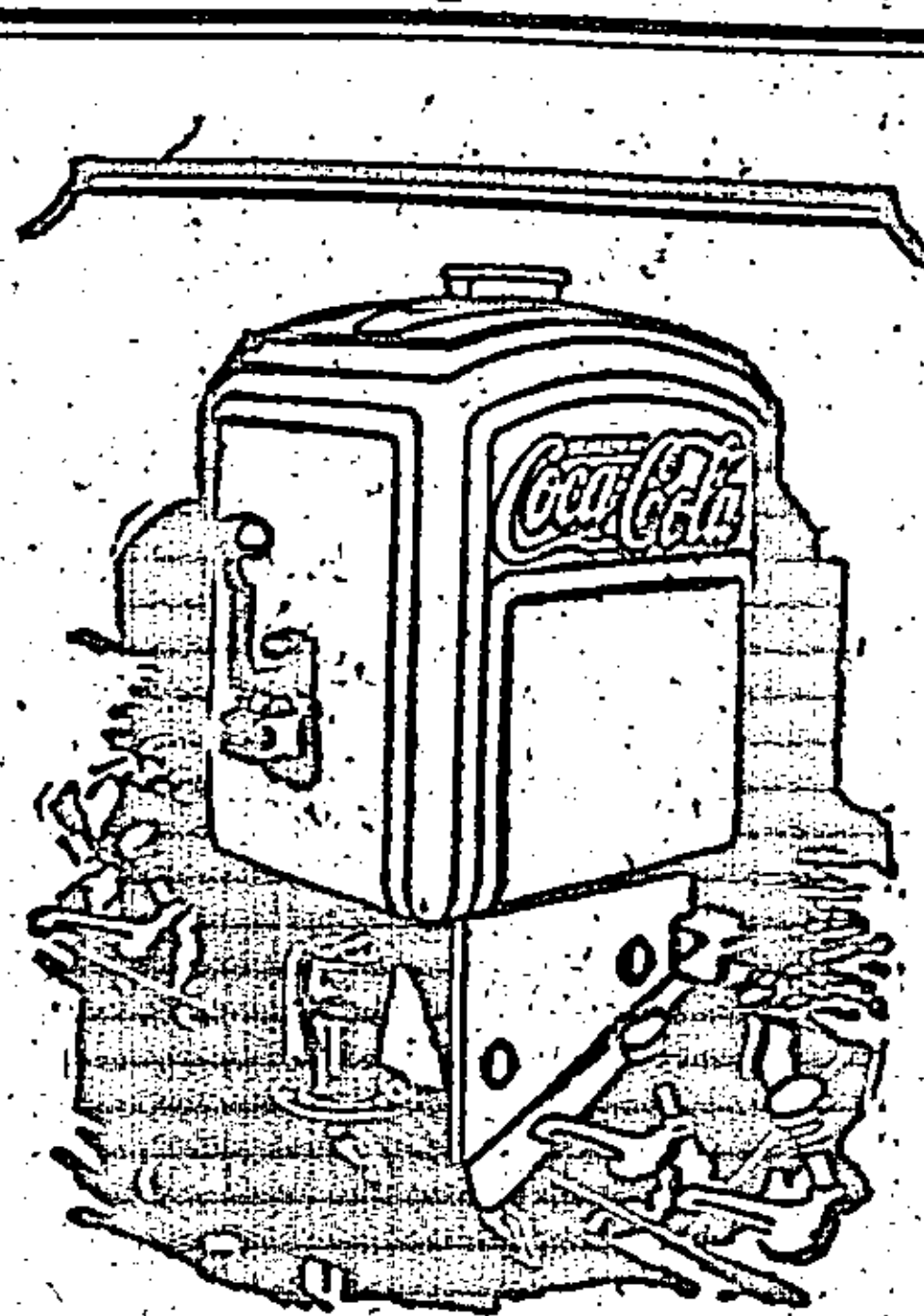
Returning to town again, and on through Des Voeux Road passing the Chinese Department store district, turning to the right on to Connaught Road, following the quay which is lined with shipping craft all busy loading for Chinese

ports. On through Kennedy Town, one of the oldest sections of Hong Kong where dried fish seem to predominate.

We then pass on to West Point with many Chinese restaurants six to eight storeys in height.

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junction of two roads go to the left, ascending Mt. Davis Road to Pokfulam Road, passing an old Chinese Christian cemetery covering the hillside. On the left is a Chinese Cemetery with many elaborate graves.

Passing the French Mission and down to the quaint fishing village of Aberdeen. These villages have a novel custom of dying their chickens in different colours, so that their respective owners will have no difficulty in recognizing their respective flock. The result is a bit startling to the stranger; along comes a pea green contingent, possibly a pink one across the way; one rubs one's eyes and wonders if they are "seeing things." Aberdeen is the most picturesque and charming village in the Colony, the entire community being supported by the fishing industry. Sampans and trading junks fairly choke the entire small harbour.

Repulse Bay

Pass on by Deep Water Bay, with a fine nine-hole Golf course, attractive Club House and a sandy bathing beach that is prettily situated at the base of the hills.

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The road winds on, passing a small fishing village and St. Stephen's College, then the large reservoirs which supply Hong Kong's water are reached, crossing the large Tytam Dam that is 171 feet high, with a capacity of 1,500,000 gallons. Further on the road branches off to Shek O with its golf course and bathing beaches, while Cape D'Aguiar light house is seen in the distance.

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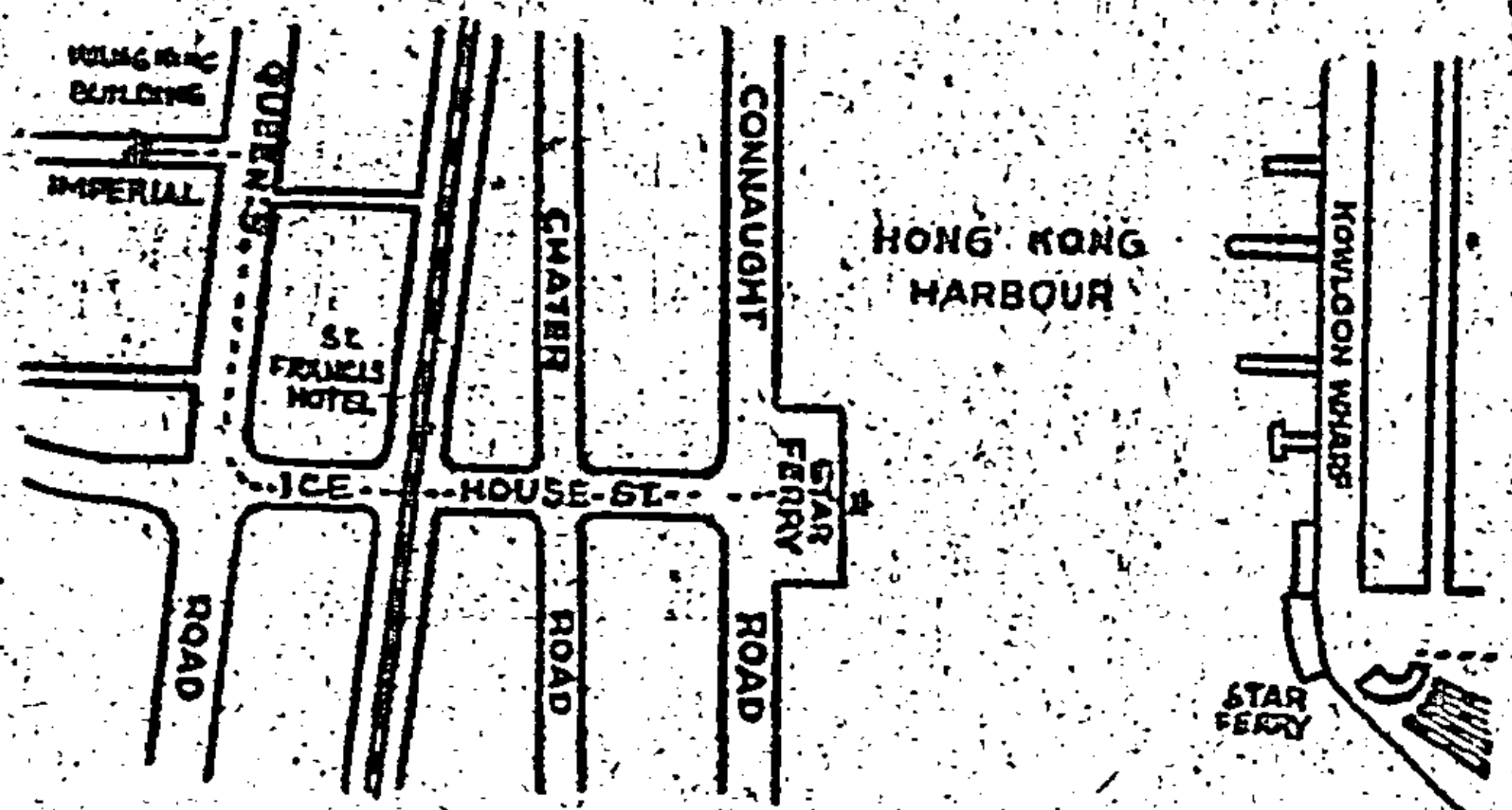
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and misty in the distance behind them, the mountains of China itself. The harbour is crowded with the ships, great and small, of many lands, but everywhere amongst and about them are the bizarre junks and sampans without which the picture would not be complete.

Some would compare the harbour of Hong Kong with Sydney or Rio de Janeiro and argue as to their respective beauties, but there can be no comparison; as well argue over the beauty of two lovely women of different type or different race. Each harbour, like each woman, has its own especial beauty and is of a class apart.

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"Worthless" Island

Few people can realise how great has been the change in the island since the British administration. A book entitled "China," published in 1874, contains a chapter with the following heading: "Hong Kong, its position, prospects, character, and utter worthlessness from every point of view to Britain." To-day one laughs at that prophecy. However, when it was written there seemed reasons for such a foreboding, for the place had an unenviable reputation for rainstorms, typhoons, pirates, poisoners, malaria, and dysentery, and in Britain contempt for the new Colony was expressed in the popular song, "You may go to Hong Kong for me."

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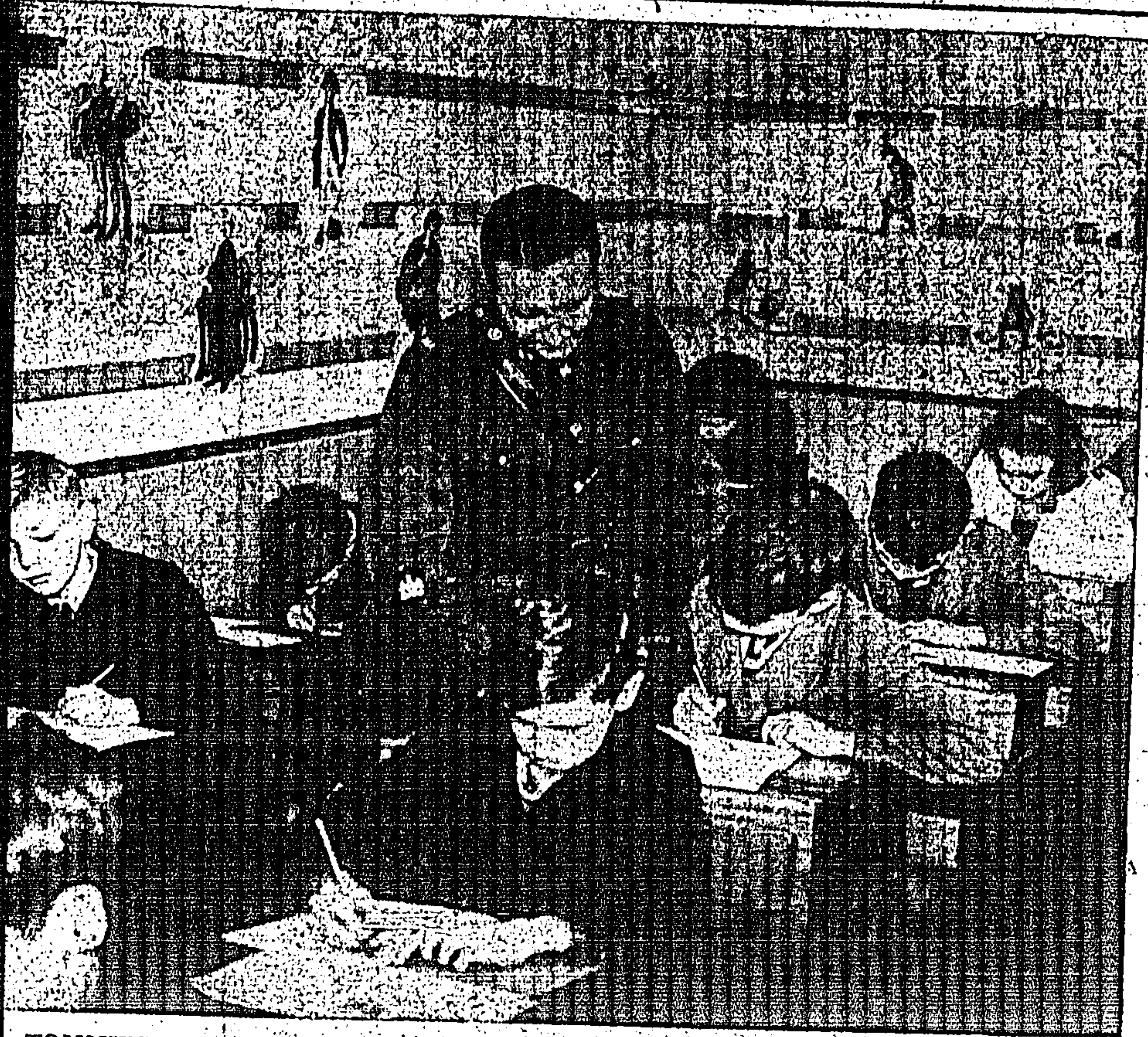
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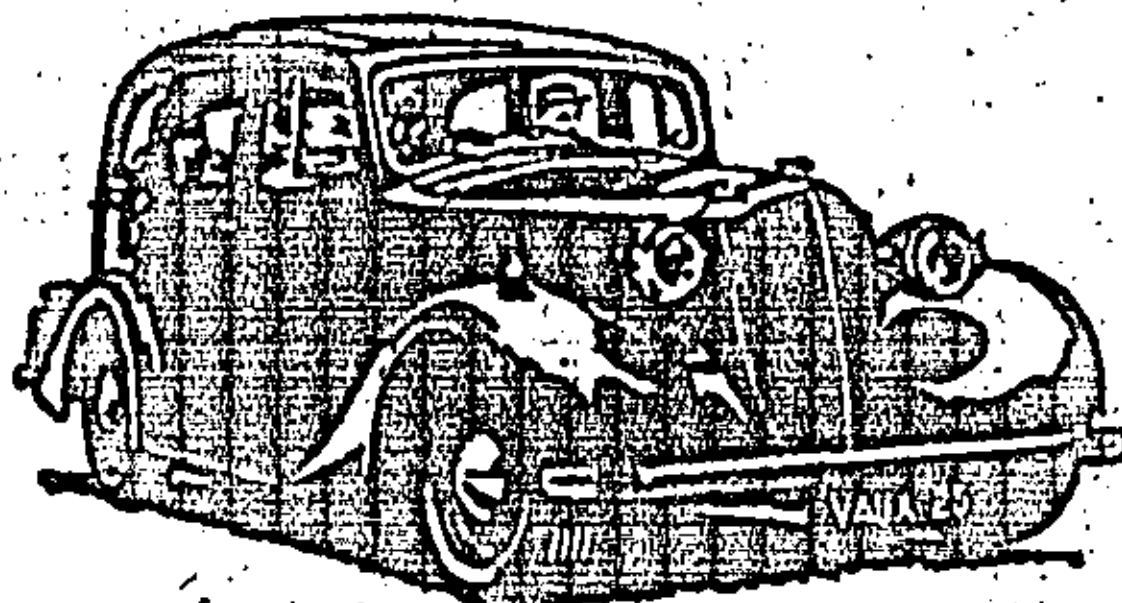


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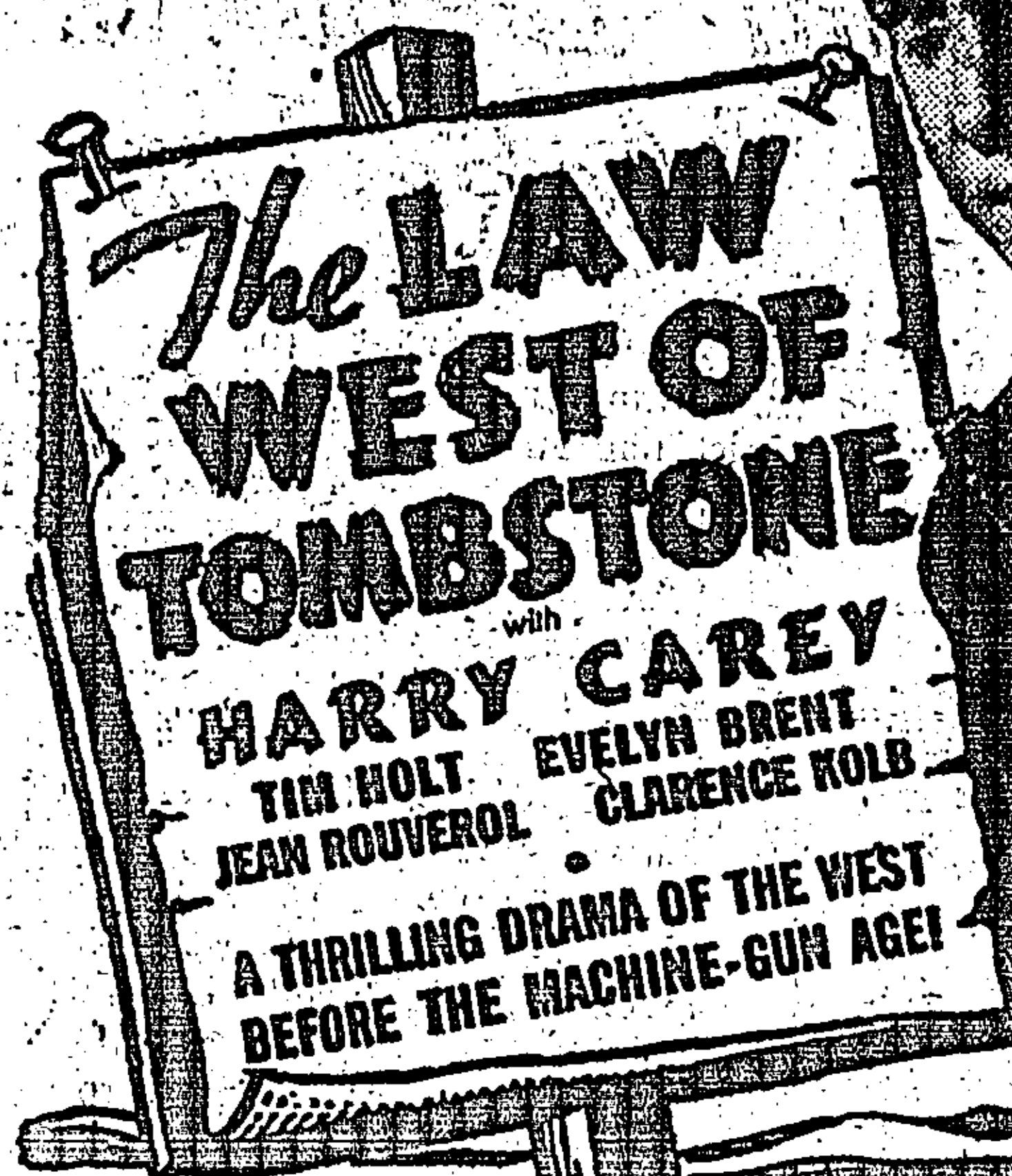
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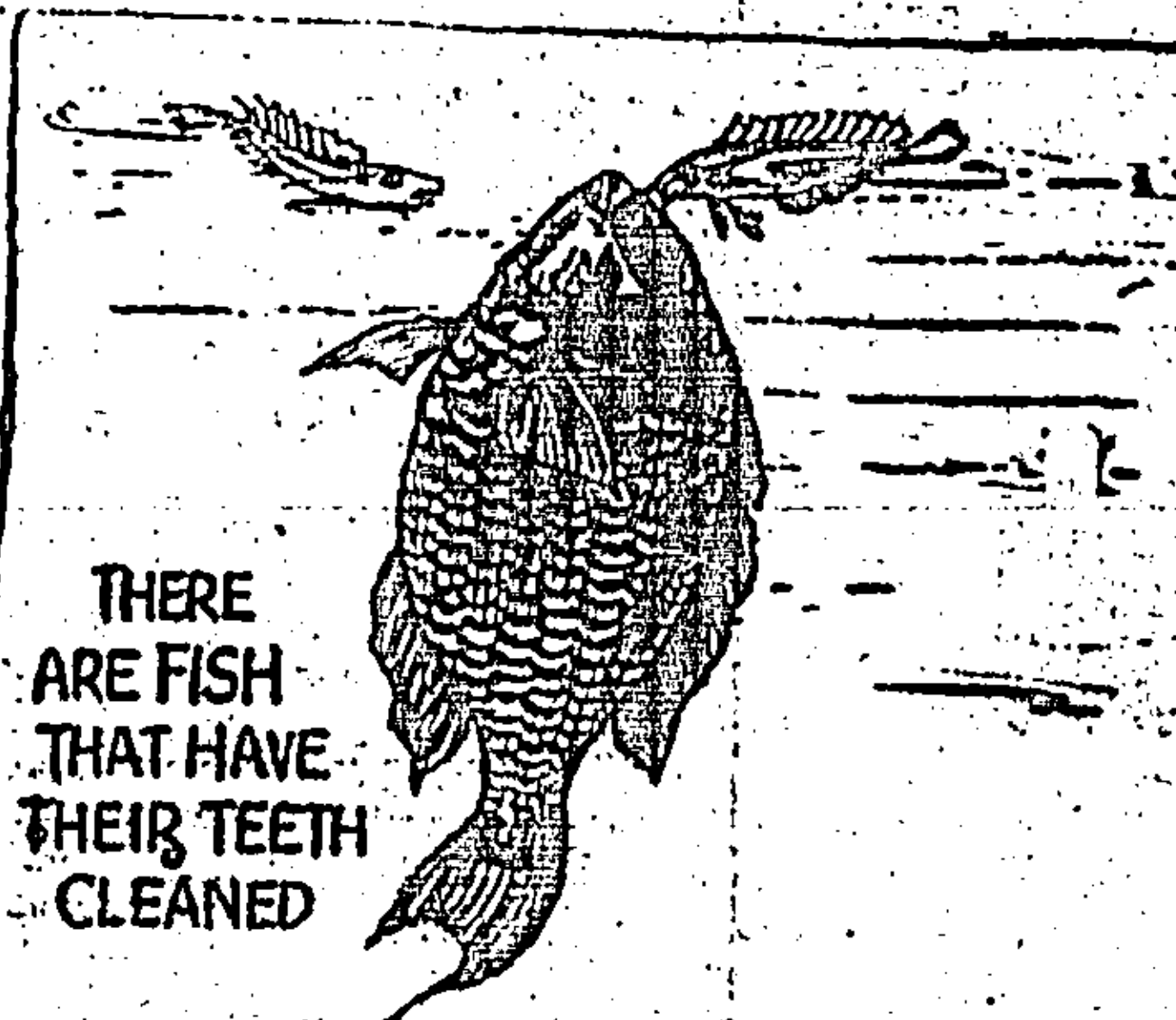


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Authority Deplores Fancy Make-Up

To give you another side of the current make-up picture let me quote Wally Westmore, youthful make-up artist of Paramount Studio.

In contrast to the craze of adopting and trying out all the luscious new shades of rouges and lipsticks and eye-shadows, he insists that a really clever woman is foolish to be fickle about them. In fact he simply scoffs at the new eccentric tints!

Witty Kitty



A man who feels his own importance is generally important only to himself.

"I think the advent of exotic shades of lip rouges, powders and eye-shadows are endangering the beauty of the non-professional woman," declared Le Westmore.

"I urge all women to look at beautiful Madeleine Carroll as an example of feminine glamour. Miss Carroll is among the number of thoroughly intelligent feminine stars who would never dream of changing becoming make-up colours and contours. A woman who knows her type and sticks to colours, lines and clothes which set off her beauty to the best advantage, is the wise one! A correct basic set of colours in clothes and make-up exists for each woman, and no matter how susceptible she may feel to fads and flurries, she is foolish to forsake her own basic style.

"In 'Cafe Society'," explains Mr. Westmore, "Madeleine Carroll epitomises the sophisticated, social beauty of to-day. Her make-up, her



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hair, her manners, lend ample inspiration to potential society charmers. Against her pale skin she uses a deep rose lipstick, the faintest touch of blush rouge and a cream coloured powder. Her lashes are barely touched with dark brown mascara and a faint film of pale blue, with a suggestion of silver, is her favourite evening eyeshadow.

"Miss Carroll never changes this make-up. The blue, mauve or cyclamen rouges amuse her, but she is not tempted to experiment with them! Thus she retains her own individual charm and beauty!"

So there, my pets, is a professional opinion. One, I must admit,

which does not take into concern the newer shades in coats, gowns and hats which absolutely demand matching or harmonising make-up. And he fails to realise also, that if women didn't adore these newer experiments with make-up the cosmeticians would not go to the trouble of blending them!

There are women, of course, who do not like to fuss. And others who have discovered the most flattering shades of rouge and lipstick. Those women prefer not to play with the daring, but I cannot help but feel that we have our moods for make-up shades just as we have our moods for certain perfume fragrances!

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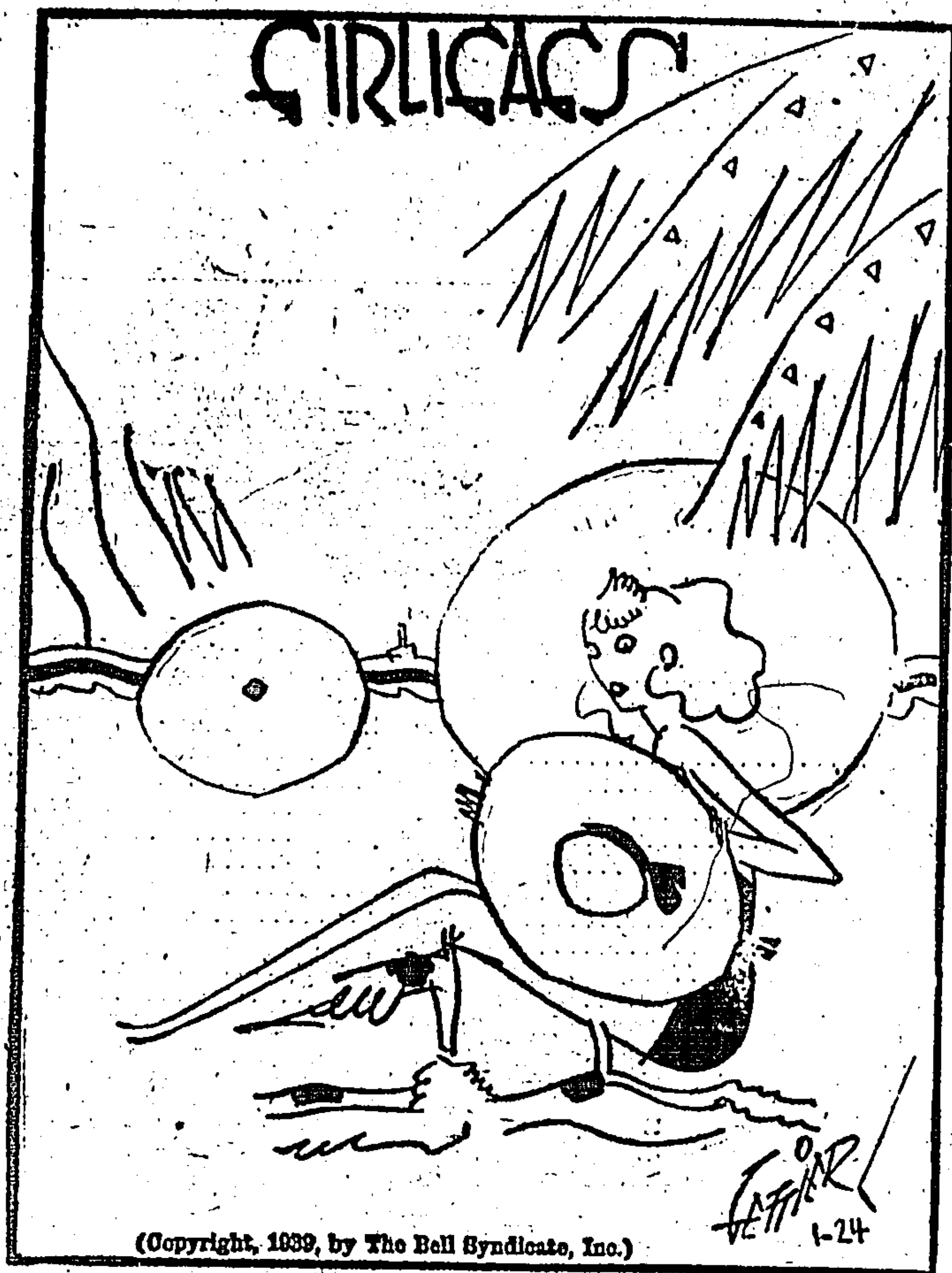


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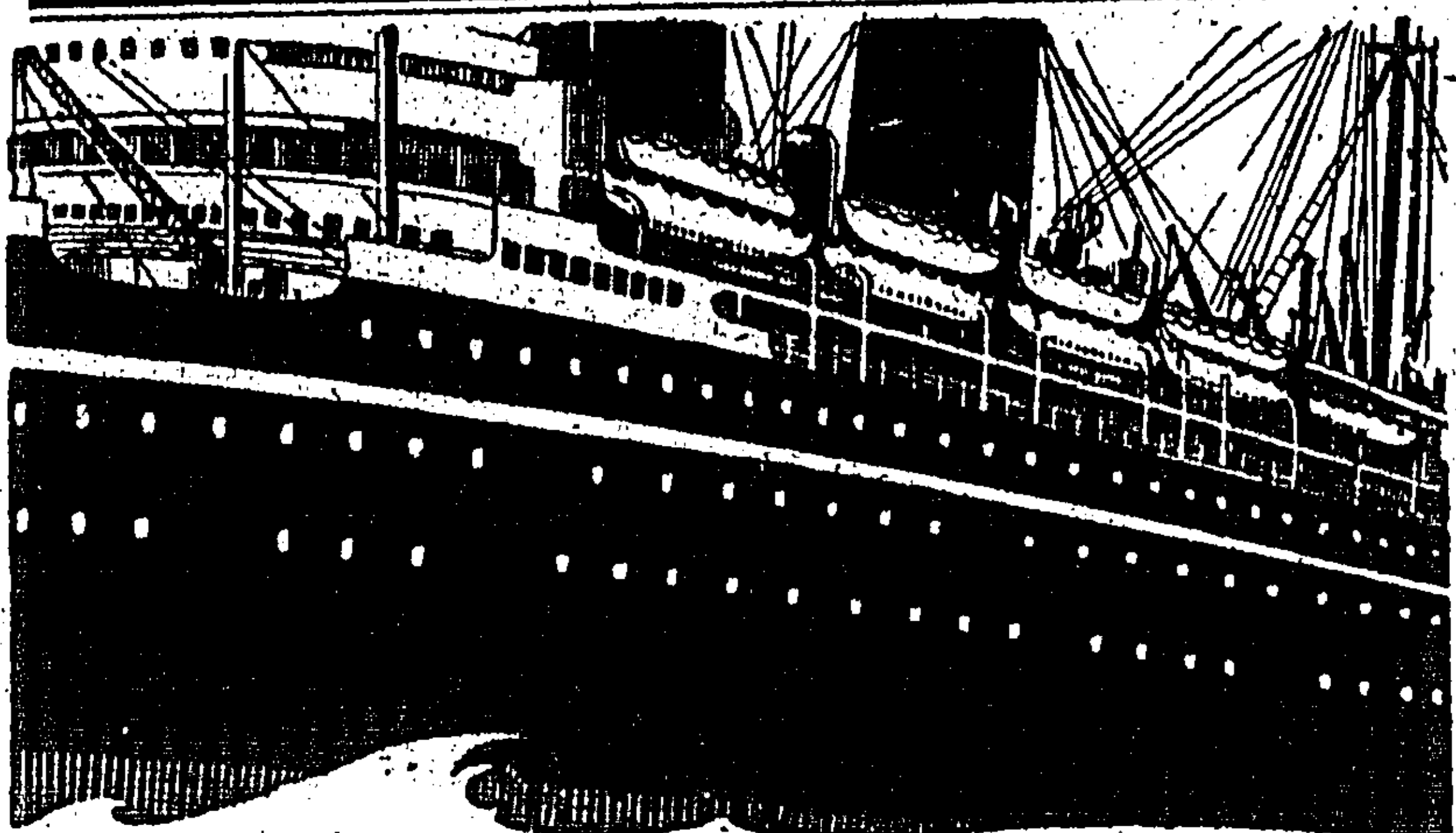


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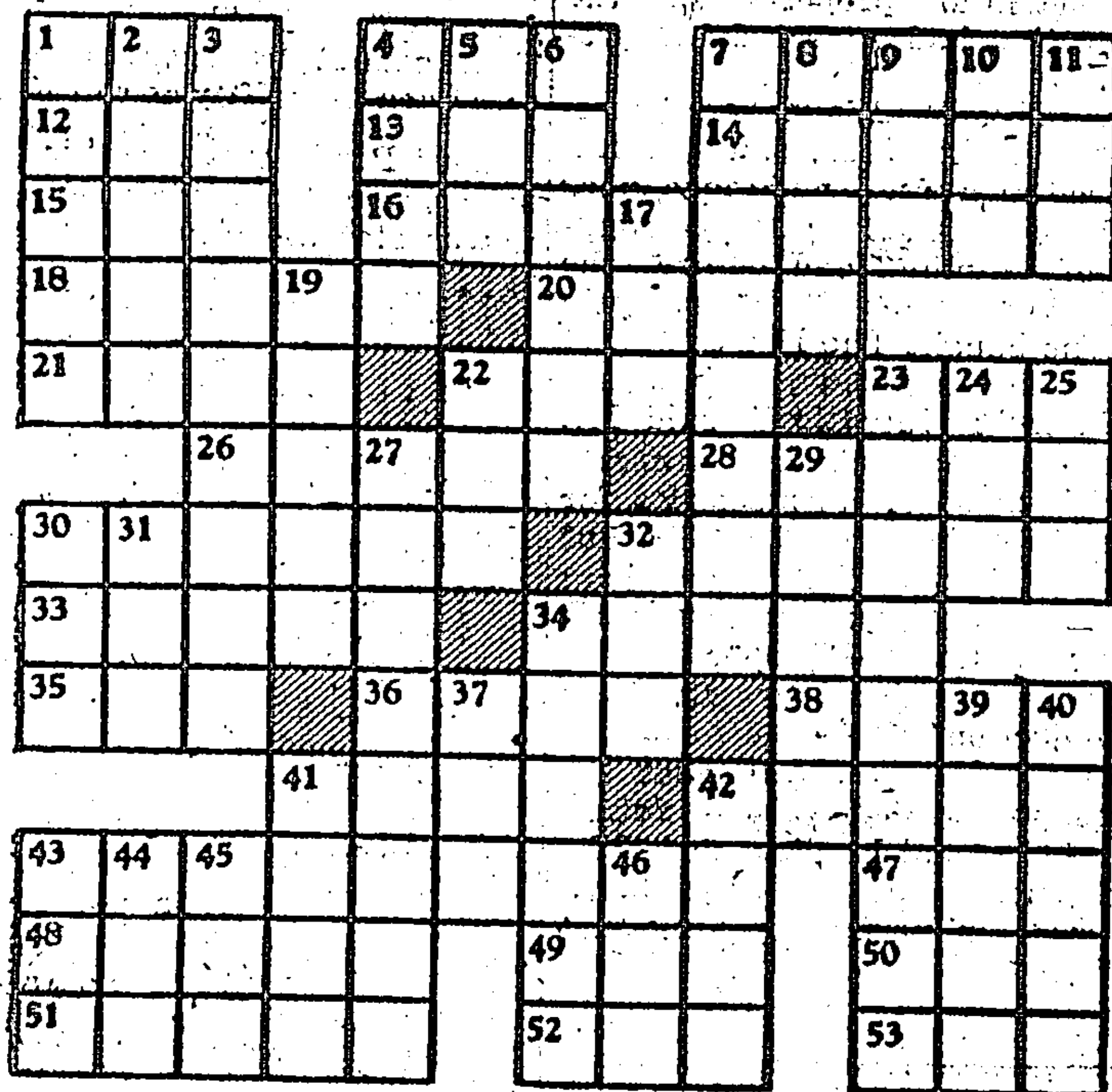
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- 16 Wavy
- 18 Natural fats
- 20 Unit of mass
- 21 Bargain
- 22 Confined
- 23 Poor
- 26 Decays
- 28 Greek colony
- 30 Frying pan
- 32 Fresh water fish
- 33 Emitted slowly
- 34 To traduce
- 35 Part of pedestal
- 36 To inaugurate
- 38 Killer whale
- 42 Head of ship
- 43 Charming

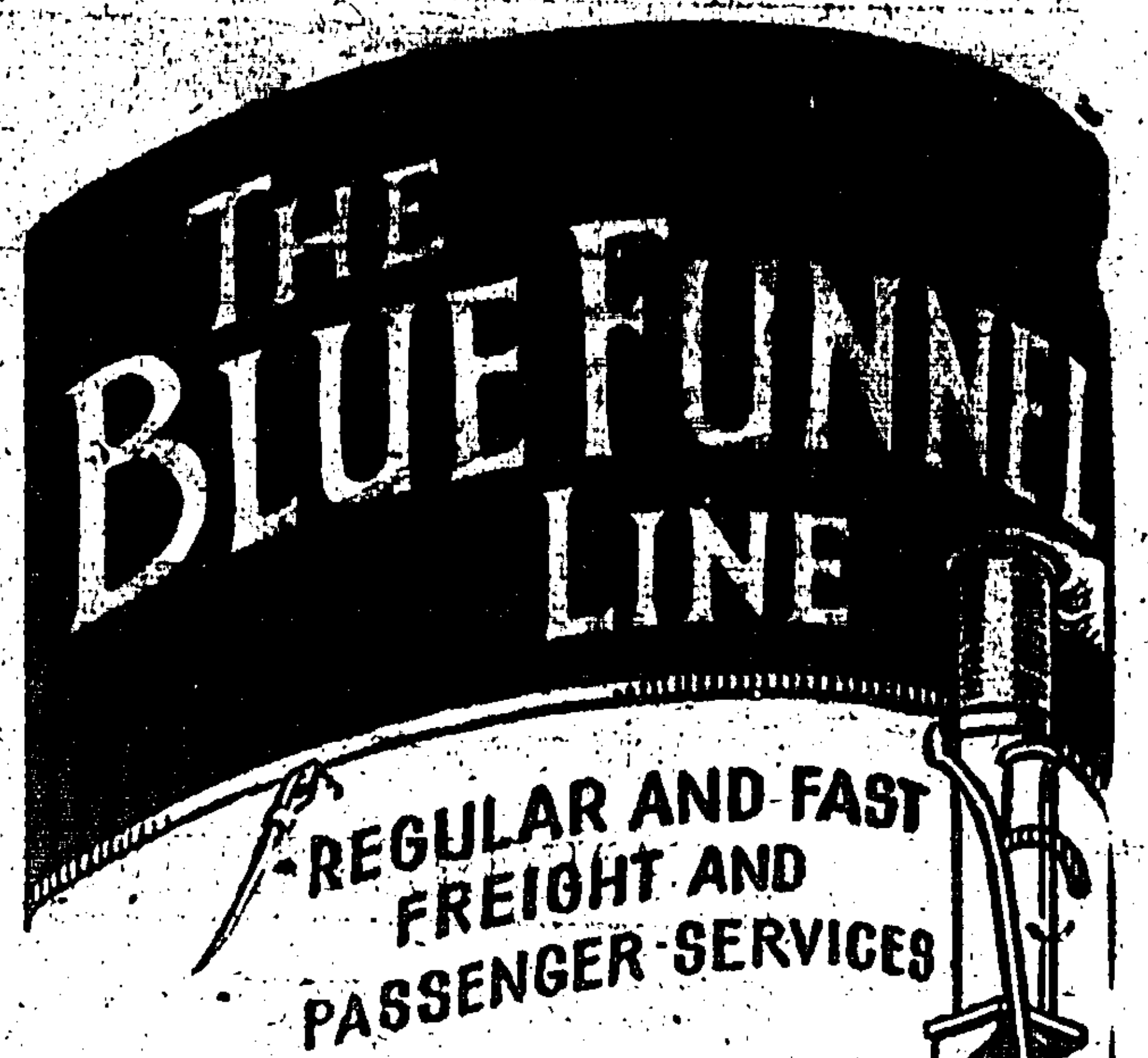
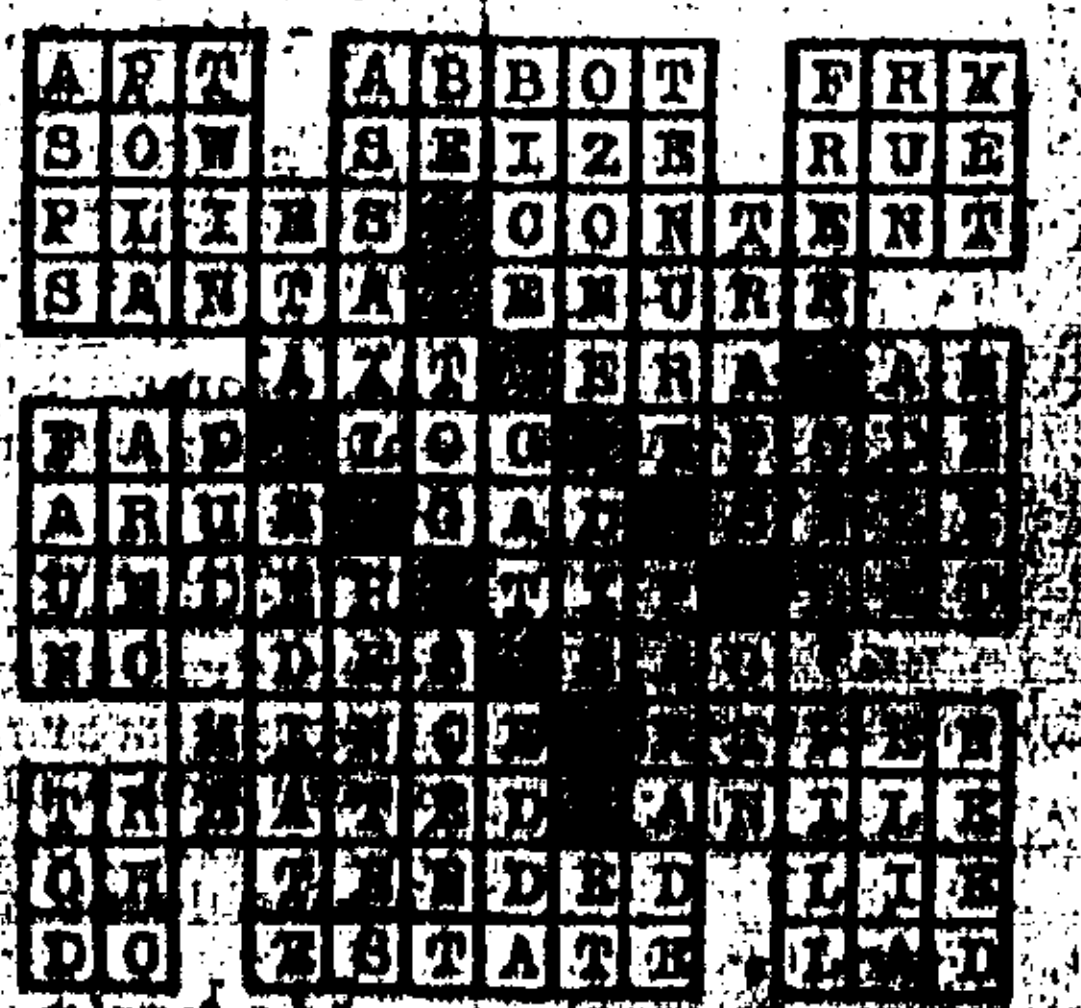
- 47 Final
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- 50 French of the
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- 1 Weated
- 2 Notched
- 3 To harass
- 4 Projecting crag
- 5 River in France

- 6 Shelves
- 7 Magnificent
- 8 Biblical land
- 9 Rodent
- 10 Foam
- 11 Youth
- 17 Receptacle
- 19 To baffle
- 22 By means of
- 23 To mediate
- 24 Fabrication
- 25 Etruscan god
- 27 Odorous
- 29 Constellation
- 30 Grassy soil
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KIPLING'S HOME IN SUSSEX

Agreement regarding the preservation of The Elms, Kipling's former home at Rottingdean, between the owner, Sir Roderick Jones chairman of Reuters, and Brighton Corporation, was announced at the resumed Ministry of Health inquiry regarding the town planning of Rottingdean and the surrounding districts.

It was stated that Sir Roderick desired to preserve the property, but in interest of future generations wished the property to be zoned as for residential property, and the Corporation had accepted his proposal.

Mr. C. J. M. Whittaker, representing Sir Roderick, said the latter lived at North End House, near The Elms, was a friend and neighbour of Kipling, and before the town planning proposals were prepared he bought The Elms.

"It is his intention, and always has been his intention," said Mr. Whittaker, "to keep that property intact because of its memories for him and for the general public. But when the Corporation came along with its town planning proposals and scheduled the property as a private open space Sir Roderick took objection."

"One could never tell what the circumstances might be in future generations, and he did not feel he could permit the property to be sterilised in perpetuity in that way."

MOVE FOR BLACK SEA PACT

Moves for the formation of a "Black Sea security pact" have been made in several south-east European capitals in the past few days. Soviet Russia is believed to be the initiator of the suggestion.

The pact would include Russia, Rumania, Turkey, Bulgaria and Greece. Its aim would be to prevent any change in the present status in the Black Sea region. Members would also study means of mutual assistance.

A highly-placed Rumanian authority admitted knowledge of the suggestion, but denied that any concrete proposals were being studied.

MORE ITALIAN TROOPS TO GO TO LIBYA

London, Feb. 28.

Italy intends to send important reinforcements to Libya "because of the recent despatch of new French troops to Tunisia," Lord Perth, British Ambassador in Rome, was understood to have been informed yesterday by Signor G. Bastianini, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

Signor Bastianini explained that his Government's measures would be justified by "the French reinforcements in Tunisia, because Italy cannot transport new troops to Africa as swiftly as can France."

Lord Perth expressed his regrets over these contemplated measures, it was stated.—Hayas.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-25/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20-9/16 and forward at 19-7/8.

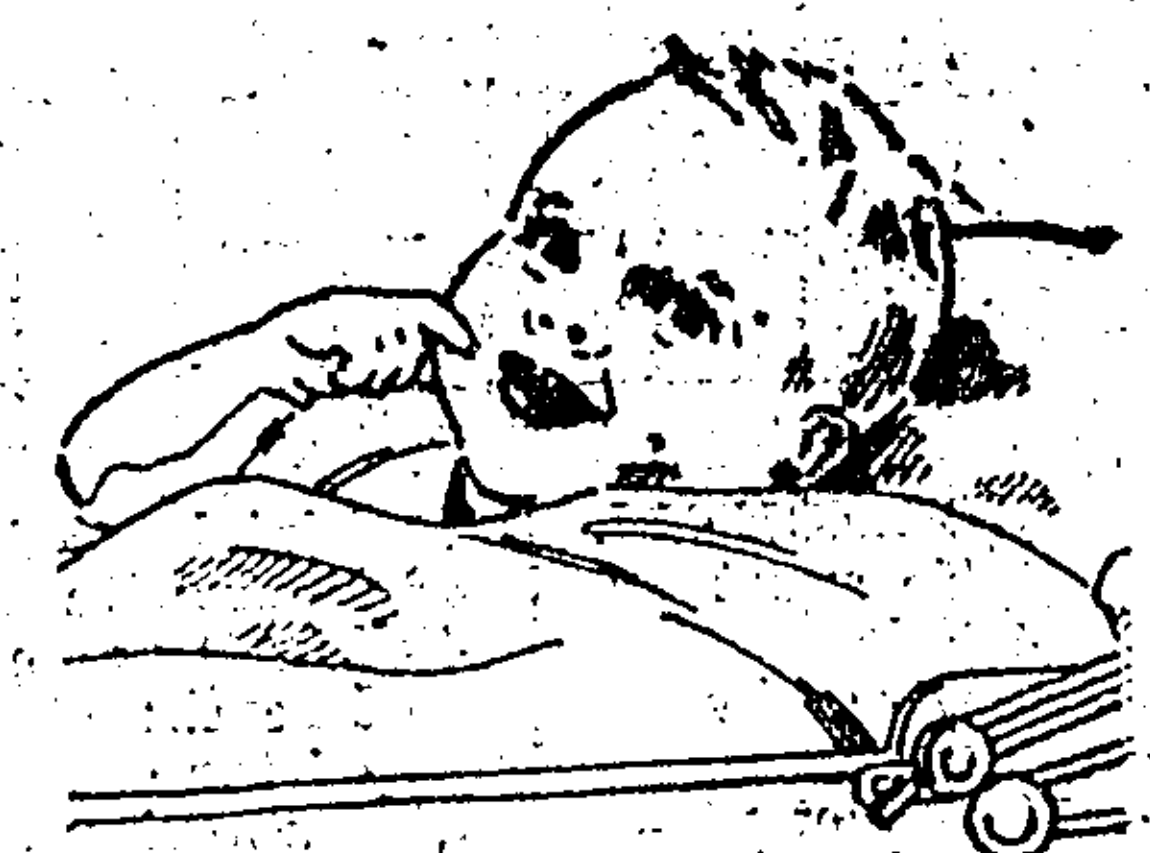
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Annual Meeting Under Review

Mr. Encarnacao Rides Four Winners To New Records: Rose Elect Unbeatable? MARKSMAN WORTHY CHAMPION SUB.

(By "RAPIER")

THE Annual Race Meeting for 1939 has come and gone and until the 1940 Carnival we shall have to remain satisfied with the extra race meetings. To-day I propose to review the five days of the Annual Meeting, touching on the salient features.

The morning of the first day of racing broke with a clear sky and brilliant sunshine prevailed throughout the afternoon. The second day was somewhat dull and the third day was much cooler, with a strong wind blowing, but the remaining two days were fine.

Ideal conditions prevailed and with the track in a hard state it was inevitable that fast times would be recorded and actually four new records were established. The standard of racing, however, did not compare favourably with that of the previous year. There were far too many loose finishes, and battles for honours, especially in the major events, were few and far between.

THE OWNERS

With so many ponies entered under his colours, it was only natural that Mr. Eu Tong Sen should occupy the first position in the list of successful owners. His stable scored 10 firsts, due principally to the work of his two outstanding ponies, Rose Elect and Desert Chief.

The Cire Stable, (Mr. Eric Moller) was second, with five firsts and one second, and here again the success achieved was due primarily to the racing ability of one pony, i.e. Silkylight.

The Anharby stable, owner of Marksman, the champion subscription griffin, should feel thoroughly satisfied with their acquisition. Mr. Li Po Chun was next, followed by S. L. K., Lucky and Mr. L. Dunbar.

Mrs. J. H. Taggart, whose colours appeared for the first time at an Annual Race Meeting, should also be satisfied with her two ponies, Lancashire Chips and Portrush, which brought her two firsts, two seconds and a third. Mr. G. G. N. Tinson had two wins to his credit, with one third, and Mrs. T. E. Pearce scored two successes with Hyndford Bridge.

THE JOCKEYS

Mr. Encarnacao was the most successful jockey, with 13 wins, five seconds and three thirds, representing a very successful meeting indeed.

Mr. Encarnacao also created a sensation by being responsible for no less than four new records, and as this achievement is so unique I think it would be of interest if I were to repeat them here:—

1. The Maiden Stakes, Rose Elect, 1.23.4, over six furlongs.
2. China Stakes, Desert Chief, 1.05.0 from the 1½ mile post distance.
3. Portrush completed half mile in 0.58.3 in Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes.
4. Hong Kong Derby won by Rose Elect in 2.55.2.

The other successful jockeys in order of merit were as follows:— Messrs. V. V. Needa, T. L. Wong, J. Pote-Hunt, F. Marshall, D. Black, B. L. Tao, B. A. Proulx, H. C. Pih, P. Y. T. Wei, S. C. Liang, and L. B. Chao. However, to Mr. P. L. Chiu fell the honour of being instrumental in paying out the highest win dividend ever recorded, \$3711.60!

NEW GRIFFINS, CHINA PONIES

In dealing with the new griffins, China ponies, no one can deny the fact that Mr. Eu Tong Sen's Rose Elect, stands in a class by itself. During the course of its training, this pony was hailed as a record-breaker over sprint events, but there was some doubt as to whether it was capable of lasting the Derby distance.

That it did so, and in record time, was in itself not only a tribute to the pony, but to rider and trainer as well. Ridden by Mr. Encarnacao, Rose Elect made its first appearance in the Maiden Stakes over six furlongs, which it won in effortless manner, completing the distance in 1.23.4, which was a record.

THE TRIAL PLATE

In the absence of Rose Elect, and apparently of Silkylight, was being ridden by a jockey in Mr. Pih, the public, but mainly of Hyndford Bridge. But Mr. Pih rode his mount

to be insurmountable. Mr. Pih called on Navylight to respond much earlier than was generally expected, but Rose Elect continued merrily on and, despite all Mr. Pih's efforts, Navylight made no impression in an effort to reduce the tremendous advantage which Rose Elect had secured. Amidst great enthusiasm, Rose Elect flashed past the post a worthy winner in record time.

This was the second time the Derby had been won by a Chinese owner. Mr. Ho Kom Tong was the first to do so, and on that occasion it was also ridden by Mr. Encarnacao, the pony being President Hall.

Mr. Encarnacao thus enjoys the distinction of having scored two wins on behalf of the only two Chinese owners to have won the Blue Riband of the Hong Kong Turf.

THE OTHERS

The next best pony, of course, was Navylight. Mr. Eric Moller, no doubt, felt disappointed over the failure of his pony, but it had to admit defeat to a much superior animal.

Eve of Harvest, of the Sassoon Stable, came second in the Trial Plate, and secured its only win in the Griffins Consolation Stakes. Eve of Heaven, from the same stable, lost to Conquering Time in the Lusitano Cup, but made amends by winning the Tyro Stakes on the following day.

Mr. Li Po Chun's Conquering Time was third in the Trial Plate, won the Lusitano Cup, and then in a duel with Hyndford Bridge, in the Hopeful Stakes, was defeated.

Mrs. T. E. Pearce's Hyndford Bridge was expected to do well in the Derby, but, running unplaced in the Trial Plate, it was not sent out for the great race. This pony, however, won the Hopeful Stakes and the Black Rock Stakes.

The other new griffins to win a race each are Blue Express, Galaxy, and Lilliber.

NEW SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS

The much discussed event, The Valley Stakes, confined to subscription griffins, China ponies, resulted in an easy win for Musketeer, ridden by Mr. S. C. Liang. The finish was tame, as Musketeer jumped in front and won without being challenged. In the Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes, for which there were three sections, the best race witnessed was that won by Portrush, with Mr. Encarnacao up. Ring

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PASSING OF A GREAT PONY

(By "RAPIER")

A brilliant racing career prematurely cut short well describes the untimely passing of Mr. Eric Moller's Silkylight, the announcement of whose death from colic yesterday was received with genuine expressions of regret in racing circles.

When Silkylight first arrived in Hong Kong last year to take part at the 1938 Annual Race Meeting, it was generally agreed that here was a pony which had the appearance of a great racer, and this opinion was later fully justified. Built on strong and powerful lines, Silkylight possessed not only speed but stamina as well, and its success has been phenomenal. Up to the end of 1938, it won stakes to the extent of \$10,751.00, to which must be added another \$2,549.00, which it won this year prior to its fatal illness.

Last year Silkylight started off by winning the Maiden Stakes in effortless manner, and then revealed its true form in the Hong Kong Derby, in which it clashed with the highly fancied Desert Chief. The crowning achievement of its career, however, was in the Champions, in which it inflicted the first and only defeat which Liberty Bay suffered. Many will recall how this race was run, the finish of which brought forth unstinted admiration for the plucky manner in which Silkylight won the race. At subsequent Extra Meetings, Silkylight met with two reverses, but under the capable handling of Mr. R. B. Moller, who came down to Hong Kong specially for the purpose, Silkylight completed last year's list of achievements by winning the H. K. St. Leger and H. K. Autumn Champions.

At the Annual Race Meeting recently completed, Silkylight won the Foo-chow Cup, The Challenge Cup, and the Peking Plate, in all of which Mr. J. Pote-Hunt was the jockey. In the last-named event, which was over 1½ miles, it was apparent that Silkylight was not running to form, and it was revealed the next day that the pony was not at all well.

The racing public now mourns the passing of a truly remarkable pony, one that had a great heart for racing, and one which only required a little urge before responding generously.

Silkylight is the holder of the record for 1½ miles, which it accomplished in 2.21 2/5 last year when it won the H. K. Autumn Champions.

Master (Mr. Tao) took the lead, and it was not until 100 yards from the end that Portrush came into the picture to win a grand race.

The Mongolian Stakes was won by Marksman (Mr. Wong), which also won the Governor's Cup, but the best race among subscription griffins was witnessed in the Sports Club Cup, over 1½ miles.

The start of the race was tame and uninteresting, but no one was prepared for the great finish it provided. Coming into the straight, Celtic Star (Mr. Marshall) and Marksman (Mr. T. L. Wong) were neck-and-neck as they raced down the track, and so keen was the finish that the judges announced a dead-heat!

THRILLING LATE BURST

Another great race was seen in the Exchange Plate, in which Musketeer was made firm favourite after its easy win in the Valley Stakes. It led to within 20 yards of the finish, when Celtic Star shot forward with a great burst to win by a short head.

Oranje Boven, a much heralded pony, was a failure in the Valley Stakes, but won the Hallar Stakes in most convincing manner.

Then came the Professional Cup and Subscription Griffins Champions. A great duel was expected in this race, but the finish was very tame. Celtic Star, with Mr. Wong up, was expected to make a great fight, but it did not appear capable of extending Marksman at the finish. Marksman, ridden by Mr. Needa, was acclaimed the new Champion and proved itself well worthy of it.

In the first section of the Nil Deperandum Stakes, for non-winning subscription griffins of this season, a tremendous shock awaited punters.

Starlet, the ultimate winner, was ignored in the betting, but, piloted by Mr. P. L. Chiu, this pony produced an unexpected burst of speed at the crucial moment to beat the favourite, Sports Venture, over the last 50 yards. And what a dividend it paid—\$3,711.60—the highest at the Valley and will probably remain so for many years to come.

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VERY FEW GOOD FINISHES

(By "RAPIER")

IN races confined to the new Australian ponies, the finishes at the Annual Meeting were generally not as keen and as exciting as some of the events held in the past. Triumphant Day's win in the Rooty-Hill Derby stamped it as the best, but I cannot help feeling that this pony's success came in the nature of a surprise.

On the first day, in the first section of the Sydney Maiden Stakes, Cockleroi, ridden by Mr. Needa had to fight hard to beat Devonian. Lady Northcote's candidate ran off into a good lead and it was really bad luck that the pony had not the requisite fighting finish, otherwise it would have won.

The second section of this race resulted in a surprising win for Victory Day. The favourites, Pumpernickel and Happy Landings, failed to start properly and were badly beaten. Rivulet (Mr. Pih) also suffered from a bad start, and had it won a big dividend would have been paid.

On the second day, Mr. Moller's Candlelight, ridden by Mr. J. Pote-Hunt, showed remarkable speed in winning the first section of the Perth Plate, and in the second section Mr. Pih made no mistake on Rivulet, despite a strong challenge by Happy Landings.

ROOTY HILL DERBY

In previous races, Chiltern, belonging to Mrs. Eu Tong Sen, was ridden by Mr. W. G. Poy, but for this important event Mr. Encarnacao took the mount. The other strong contenders were Candlelight (Mr. Pote-Hunt), Cockleroi (Mr. Needa), Rivulet (Mr. Pih) and Triumphant Day (Mr. Tao).

The start of the race saw Candlelight left at the gate and in making up its lost ground it was unable to compete against the others.

Chiltern ran very strongly, more or less next to Cockleroi, and before the first mile was finished it was noticed that Mr. Tao had had to ride Triumphant Day hard. After passing the Rock, Rivulet gradually dropped back and ultimately finished up lame. Chiltern and Cockleroi came up strongly, and it appeared as if the final phase was going to be fought out between these two, but from the outside Triumphant Day shot forward like a flash, and before either Mr. Encarnacao or Mr. Needa realised what had happened it was too far in front to be challenged.

Happy Landings did not strip for the Rooty-Hill Derby, but, ridden by Mr. Davis, it won the Blue Mountains Plate on the fourth day over 1 1/4 miles, beating Devonian quite easily.

OTHER EVENTS

Silkylight, belonging to Mr. Eric Moller, and the Champion pony of 1938, won three races with perfect ease, i.e. The Foochow Cup, The Challenge Cup, and The Peking Plate, in all of which Mr. J. Pote-Hunt was the jockey. In view of its brilliant form, there was keen anticipation of a great battle for honours in the Champions, but due to a sudden development of colic, Silkylight was unable to start, much to the disappointment of its numerous supporters.

Much to the regret of the racing public, Silkylight died yesterday morning after a short but outstandingly brilliant career on the local turf.

THE CHAMPIONS

On the morning of the fourth day—the day for deciding the Champion among China ponies—a sensation was created by the announcement that Mr. Moller had had to scratch Silkylight from running, and on top of this it was also revealed that Navylight had gone lame. With two such great ponies not participating, interest in the Champions subsided considerably, and ultimately only two stables were represented, i.e. The Eu Tong Sen and Dynasty.

The former sent out Rose Elect (Mr. Encarnacao) and Desert Chief (Mr. Roy), whilst the latter had King's Warden (Mr. Marshall) and Hyndford Bridge (Mr. Needa). The result was a foregone conclusion and the

race was devoid of interest except towards the end, when Desert Chief made an unsuccessful attempt to overhaul Rose Elect.

It was indeed a red letter day for Mrs. Eu Tong Sen, who enjoyed the unique experience of leading in both the first and second ponies, and she certainly merited the hearty congratulations which she received from all sides on the performance of Rose Elect, which won the triple crown of the 1939 Annual Race Meeting, i.e. the Maiden Stakes, Hong Kong Derby, and Champions.

THE LAST DAY'S RACING

Augmented by an invasion of youngsters, the attendance last Saturday was very congested. Racing was keen, and there were upsets galore.

Starlet, ably ridden by Mr. P. L. Chiu, started things humming by winning the first race to pay a tremendous dividend. Only three tickets were on it to win, and each received the colossal sum of \$3,711.60 in return. Even the place betting paid \$600.60. I don't think such dividends will ever be seen at the Valley again, at least not for many years to come.

The second race resulted according to expectations, when Mr. Black brought Lilliber in for a comfortable win.

A mild surprise featured the third race, the second section of the Nil Desperandum Stakes. Chatterbox, hav-



ing failed so badly in recent outings, was not so strongly supported this time, but the pony responded better under Mr. Encarnacao's handling, and its win was thoroughly deserved.

The fourth race, the Flemington Plate, for Australian ponies, resulted in an easy win for Bredon. Known for his ability in getting away quickly, Mr. Proulx made no mistake on the rise of the barrier, and by the time the bend was reached, Bredon had a commanding lead. A Great Time (Mr. Needa) found it difficult to get into its stride, fast enough and had to be satisfied with second place.

PROFESSIONAL CUP AND SUBSCRIPTION GRIFINS

CHAMPIONS

This race aroused considerable speculation, and as Celtic Star and Marksman had previously run a dead-heat, it was expected that another great battle would follow. But spectators were disappointed. Celtic Star, ridden by Mr. Wong, was content to remain in the rear, with Marksman (Mr. Needa) holding last position. Approaching the hill, Celtic Star forged ahead and was leading by the time the ponies came into the home stretch. Just when it was thought that Celtic Star would produce a powerful finishing burst it faded out and was passed by Marksman. Mr. Needa had an easy passage home, and as a result Marksman was hailed as the champion among this year's subscription griffins.

In the sixth race, Mr. Donald Black paid the penalty for being over-confident. Mr. Black had the mount on Tampa Bay and, despite the fact that it was carrying maximum weight of 168 lbs., was strongly backed to win, and, in my opinion, it would have justified such confidence but for Mr. Black's lapse at the very last minute.

Tampa Bay ran very well indeed and coming into the straight was well in front. Believing that he had the race in hand, Mr. Black did not appear to push the pony any longer and to his

utter amazement Rose Jane (Mr. Encarnacao) came through with a great burst of speed to win.

ANOTHER UPSET

Another upset, this time a more sensational one, featured the next race, the Happy Valley Spring Handicap (First Section), from the two mile post once round and in. It will be recalled that two years ago, King's Warden, carrying 168 lbs., broke the record for this distance, and this in turn was smashed by Desert Chief last year. King's Warden went out a red-hot favourite for this race and its defeat was a heart-breaking experience for those who backed it.

Oak Bay (Mr. B. A. Proulx) made the running, and it was well in the lead after entering the home straight, but Rob Roy, ably handled by Mr. Encarnacao, responded gamely, and once it jumped into the lead went on to win fairly easily.

AUSTRALIAN PONIES CHAMPIONS

No better race could have featured the end of an Annual Race Meeting—the finish left spectators gasping for breath, so thrilling was the battle in the closing stages. Here again, I am afraid Mr. Black made an error of judgment in keeping back Lancashire Chips. In previous races, Lancashire Chips invariably did well when allowed to run itself, and if this was done last Saturday a different tale might have been told.

Snowy River (Mr. Wei) did the right thing, and it nearly brought off a sensational victory. Lucky Lad (Mr. Needa), however, proved itself a worthy champion.

The race started very fast with Snowy River taking the lead, followed by Triumphant Day (Mr. Tao), while both Lucky Lad and Lancashire Chips were satisfied to remain in the rear. Immediately after passing the Rock and before coming into the straight, Snowy River forged further ahead, and, evidently realising the danger, Mr. Needa sent Lucky Lad forward. Amidst great enthusiasm, Lucky Lad overhauled its rival and a great cheer went up when Mr. Needa succeeded in passing the winning post only a neck in front of Snowy River, with Lancashire Chips a poor third.

The last race, the second section of the Happy Valley Spring Handicap, resulted in a surprising win for Just In Time, but this was due more to superb riding on the part of Mr. Encarnacao.

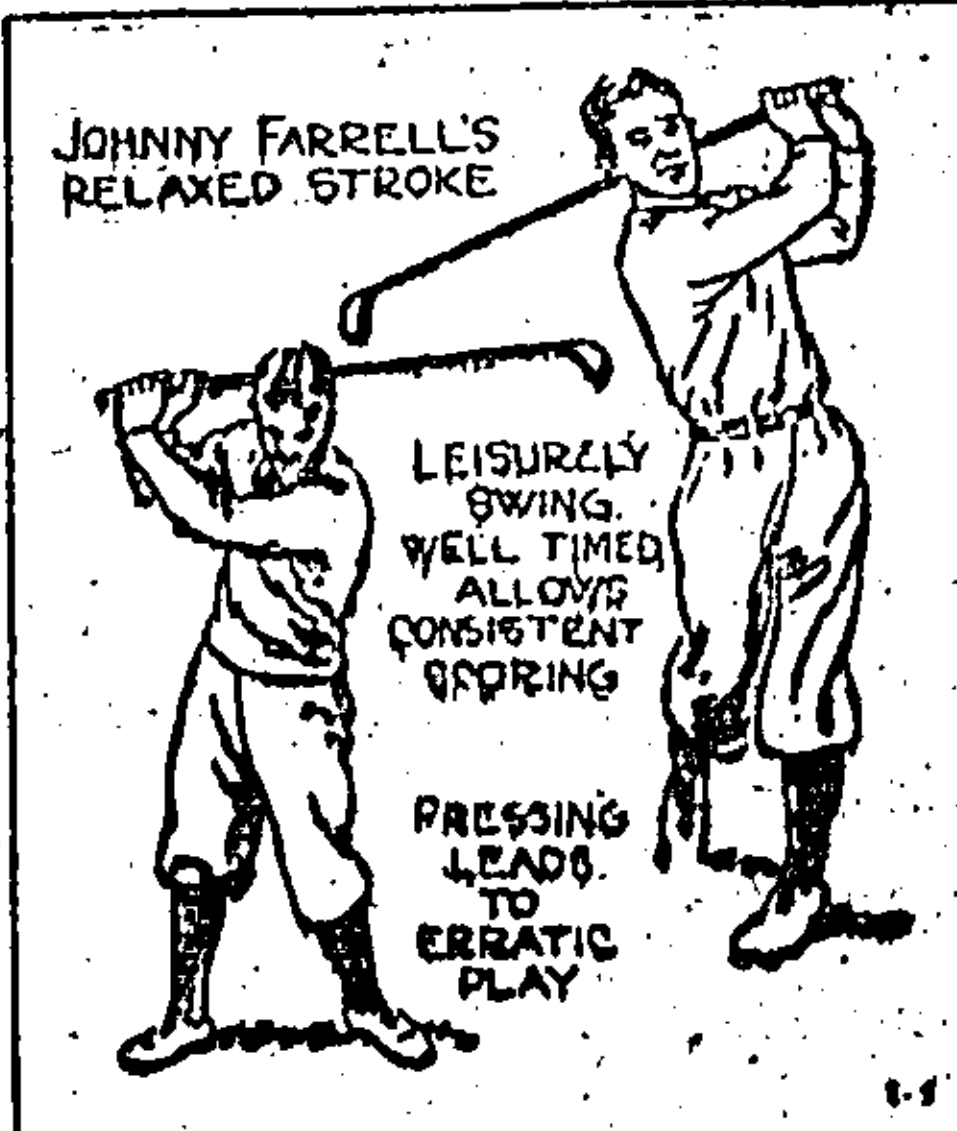
The pony appeared beaten when coming into the straight, but it rallied strongly and managed to beat Boolat Bay, with King's Lead third.

Avoid Pressing

By BEST BALL

Oftentimes the golfer who 'plays well within himself' as the old saying goes will do a smarter job of scoring than the golfer, who is continually trying to put his utmost effort into every shot. The golfer who continually presses is inclined to be erratic and whereas there is a great satisfaction of getting off a great tee shot or a soaring second, the score mounts rapidly when these shots do not come off to expectations. The smarter golfers realise this and generally retain their greatest efforts until

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ENGLAND IN BAD WAY IN FINAL TEST MATCH

Durban, To-day.

WITH only three wickets to go in their first innings, England were 262 runs behind the South African total at the close of the fourth day of play in the Fifth and Final Test.

A successful appeal against the light again shortened hours of play, but laborious run-getting in the early hours contributed to the smallness of the final total.

After Edrich had been had put up an easy catch to Rowan at silly mid-on off Langton, Ames and Valentine put up a stand and at tea had carried the total to 184 for 5 wickets.

On resumption, the crowd increased to 9,000 and they witnessed sparkling batting by Ames, who was driving all bowlers powerfully and reached his own fifty runs in 97 minutes, including five fours.

VALENTINE OUT

The partnership had added 58 in 51 minutes, when Valentine fell a victim to Dalton in the same way as Hammond, being caught behind the wickets. He had made 26 runs and the total was 229.

Verity who was bowled by Dalton for three stayed long enough to see 16 runs added, and then Wright played out time with Ames.

At drawing of stumps, Ames had scored 82 in a magnificent innings, lasting 155 minutes, during which he hit seven fours.

Scores:	
South Africa—1st Innings	530
M.C.C.—1ST INNINGS	
Hutton, run out	38
P. A. Gibb, c Grieverson, b Newson	4
Paynter, l.b.w., b Langton	62
W. R. Hammond, st. Grieverson, b Dalton	24
Ames, not out	82
Edrich, c Rowan, b Langton	1
Valentine, st. Grieverson, b Dalton	26
Verity, b Dalton	3
Wright, not out	5
Extras	13

Total (for 7 wks.) 268
Fall of wickets:—1 for 9 (Gibb); 2 for 64 (Hutton); 3 for 125 (Hammond); 4 for 169 (Paynter); 5 for 171 (Edrich); 6 for 229 (Valentine); 7 for 245 (Verity).—Reuter.

GRIMSBY BEAT STOKE

London, To-day.

Playing at home, Grimsby beat Stoke by three goals to one in the First Division of the English League while in the Scottish League Clyde share two goals with Aberdeen at home.—Reuter.

BOWLS COUNCIL MEETING

C. B. Hosking Leaving Soon

In spite of a loss of \$665 in the Interport account, the Lawn Bowls Association had a successful financial year, as revealed by the Statement of Accounts presented at the Council meeting held last night.

The date for the Annual General meeting was fixed for March 17.

A letter from Mr. T. A. Armstrong was read which stated that a number of friends of the late Mr. P. E. Knight desired to donate a cup for the Winner of the Open Singles in his memory. The cup was not to be won outright. The meeting agreed to accept the Cup.

A donation of \$50 to the Children's playground Association was approved. As the Hon. secretary, Mr. C. B. Hosking, would be leaving the Colony soon, it was decided that Mr. R. P. Phillips be recommended as Hon. Secretary next season, and that the question of a presentation to Mr. C. B. Hosking be brought up at the Annual General meeting.

Hull City directors have placed H. J. Macneill, their Scottish centre forward, on the transfer list at the player's own request. Macneill joined the club from Ayr United in 1937-38, and was their top scorer.



Mrs. I. Stone ("Y") top left, and Miss I. Woolley (C.B.A.) top right, have both been selected as half-backs in the Ladies' Interport hockey team to visit Shanghai during the Easter holidays, while Mrs. Akroyd (Seaforths) bottom left, and Miss M. Booker, (C.B.A.) bottom-right, are strong contenders for forward positions in the same team. ("China Mail" photos).



British Lawn Tennis Selection Committee

(By AIR MAIL)

The Council of the Lawn Tennis Association have re-elected the International Selection Committee en bloc and have left out E. R. Avory, the only present-day player among the six nominated. Avory, together with H. G. N. Lee, served in an advisory capacity to the Committee last year, but both resigned on a question connected with the selection of the British team to South Africa.

\$14,000 PROFIT ON BRITISH TOUR IN SOUTH AFRICA

Johannesburg, (By Air Mail).—The profit on the British Rugby team's recent tour of South Africa amounted to £13,837 3s. 3d. The takings for all matches in which the touring team took part amounted to £21,879 12s. 3d., and the expenditure in connection with the tour was £8042 9s. 6d.

Lee and Avory were nominated to full membership of the Committee this year, but Lee withdrew. Avory went forward for election, but the official announcement of the minutes says that the following five were re-elected:—Messrs. H. Roper Barrett, F. R. L. Crawford, T. M. Mavrogordato, A. D. Prebble, and F. T. Stowe.

The policy, which was started last year, of having players or ex-players to advise the selectors in the choice of teams, is to be continued.

WIGHTMAN CUP

Once again Great Britain are challenging for the Wightman Cup, which has been held by America for the last eight years. This match will take place in the United States in August.

Sanction was given by the Council for the nomination of teams for the French, German, American, and Swiss Championships, and other matches arranged were:—

England v. Ireland, in England—August 28 and 29.

England v. Scotland, at Peebles—July 10 and 11.

England v. Wales (men), at Newport—July 17 and 18.

England v. Wales (women), at Llanelli—August 7 and 8.

Entries for the British Hard Court Championships, which begin at Bournemouth on May 1, close on April 24. Great Britain will be represented by F. C. Lohden and R. J. McNair.

At an extraordinary general meeting of the Council of the Davis Cup nations in Paris on March 16 the Council has approved a grant at the rate of 10s. per club, with a minimum of 220, to Wales and the County Associations of England.

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I.R.C. FAIL AGAINST CLUB

I have already dealt with that most thrilling game at Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday. Another game, which in its own way, was quite as interesting was that at Chater Road between Indian Recreation Club and Hong Kong Cricket Club.

The Indian team, on this occasion, would have been difficult to recognise as the scratchy one which played two very uninteresting drawn games with Craigen-gower last year in an effort to decide the championship.

Set to score 189 in just under two hours, they went for the runs from the word "go." Kitchell, usually a batsman of the variety best described as dour, was particularly enterprising and was extremely hard on John Pearce, who, I am told, he hit for four boundaries in one over.

After a reasonably good start a minor collapse occurred which was stemmed at the fall of the fifth wicket by Bob Arculli who, in with Kitchell, took the score to within striking distance.

Kept Going

Followed another collapse and Minu might have been excused if he had given orders to shut up show. He did just the opposite and although I.R.C. just failed by 12 runs to accomplish their task, they went down with colours flying.

Thus the type of match one gets in the much-maligned League!

For Club, Alec Pearce batted brilliantly for 96, hitting 13 fours and two sixes. He was associated with Ride, who has been remarkably consistent this season, in a useful second wicket stand, and later, with his brother John, took the score along very nicely.

Minu worked hard but did not meet with a great deal of success and A. H. Madar again performed sterling work.

Owen Hughes, who bowled extremely badly against K.C.C. the previous week, kept one end going throughout the innings and finished up 20 overs of grueling work with 7 for 54.

Bad To Worse

Craigen-gower are going from bad to worse. On their present form I cannot see any team taking from them the wooden spoon they so richly deserve!

On Saturday they were set 130 runs by Army, hitherto considered the weakest team in the Division, and failed badly by 16 runs.

In extenuation, however, I feel that had Francis Zimmermann been playing they would have succeeded fairly comfortably. Without him they had not a bowler of any pace and it is speed that counts a great deal on that very awkwardly-placed Craigen-gower wicket.

To-Day's Tennis

Weather permitting, the third day's play in the Colony Open Singles and Doubles Lawn Tennis Championships will be featured this afternoon when doubles encounters will provide the outstanding fare.

Probably the best match will be the clash between the Rumjahn Cousins, "S. A. and H. D." and F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang, while the strong Recreio combination of A. V. Remedios and J. Gonsalves should account for Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain.

The following is to-day's programme:

TO-DAY

Open Singles (First Round)
Lt. D. C. Miera v. Leo Yue-wing (1).
W. Sander v. Chan Chi-keung (2).
Szeto v. Firdos Khan (3). Marsland v. J. W. Leonard (7).
Open Doubles (First Round)
A. Crawford and R. Broadbridge v. Tsui Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen (8).
Lt. J. S. Theobald and Capt. A. B. Whistman v. Lt. Col. E. A. Newnham and Major F. T. Baines (4). S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn v. F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang (5). A. V. Remedios and J. Gonsalves v. O. Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain (6).

BY "ADREM"

Army have Logan to thank for their total. He hit eight boundaries in his 42 scored out of 85 and was well assisted by Sgt. Painter (25). Dyson, last man in, made an invaluable 19 not out.

Only A. R. H. Esmail and A. K. Ismail made any runs for Craigen-gower, who collapsed badly after a promising start. Hatfield, as ever, was the most successful bowler, his four wickets costing only 31 runs.

Barrow Again

Without the services of C. P. O. Paxton who has left for Home, Navy, after making 167 for 6, were unable to get Civil Service out and the match was left drawn.

Lt. Walters batted very well for Navy for 53, while Kennedy, after a lean period, at last struck form to make 43. Lees went in late and made 28 not out.

With Richardson injured, Perry opened Civil Services' batting himself and played a sound knock of 32, while John Barrow, who is now making runs consistently, played a fine defensive innings of 34 not out.

Moore was swinging furiously early on, but unfortunately from the Navy point of view, he was coming in too much to be really effective and was not really dangerous.

The Juniors

Recreio had their title hopes dashed somewhat by losing badly to Kowloon Cricket Club on their own ground. Kowloon batted first and the home team had every reason to be pleased with the opening stages of the game. In the space of a few minutes, no fewer than four K.C.C. wickets were down for only three runs, two of them byes, but then Gray came in and played one of the finest innings for his team of the season.

He gave no chance in his 51 scored out of 86 and his most fruitful stroke was his pulled drive. Goodban—I feel he goes in much too late—rendered valuable assistance and made 22. Nobody else, with the exception of Freddie Broadbridge (11) reached double figures.

Wong Fuk Nam Fully Extends H. D. Rumjahn

WEAK SECOND SERVICE COST LOSER VITAL POINTS

(By "REFEREE")

A much heavier and slower H. D. Rumjahn received the surprise of his life yesterday when he was fully extended by that veteran of many tournaments, Wong Fuk-nam, and forced to bring all his guns into action in order to emerge winner by 6-3, 6-4.

Outstanding feature of this encounter, which was the best to date, was Wong's remarkable retrieving of Rumjahn's deep drives and smashes, although an unreliable back-hand, and weak second service contributed as much to his defeat as anything.

Wong commenced full of confidence and had the measure of Rumjahn early in the first set when, despite the latter's lead of 3 games to 1, he rallied magnificently, scoring with an occasional back-hand shot down the side line to level the scores at 3-3. It was at this stage of the encounter that Wong cracked up badly, serving a series of double faults which saw Rumjahn jump into the lead. "H. D." was by no means the winner yet and a series of thrilling baseline duels were featured before he secured the first set.

The second set was almost a repetition of the first except that Wong was playing much better tennis and took little risk of throwing

IN GREAT RACE AGAINST CLOCK

A. V. and G. H. Gosano, together with Carvalho, shared the wickets.

Recreio, setting about their task of scoring 97 for a win, found McKenzie far too good for them. To my recollection, this is the first occasion this season that the left-hander has been on so early and he certainly made the best use of his opportunity. Keeping a fine length, his spinners proved very effective and he was virtually unplayable.

Club Show Form

Club, a fine team on paper, showed glimpses of their true form in beating the powerful University team at Pokfulam. Armstrong and Lowe were chief contributors, but there were several other useful scores not to mention 24 from Mr. Extras and although Teoh and Ng tried very hard, they could never get on top and Club's innings closed at 173.

University lost Oh for a duck but after that K. Y. Tam and J. Fong added 97 for the second wicket and the home team were well on their way. Then followed a collapse, but the side did reach 156, quite a good performance under the circumstances.

Fong has been remarkably consistent throughout the League, his scores being 47, 33 not out, 12, 40, 51, 29 and 37.

Fine Bowler

Stark, I notice, took 6 for 44 in 13 overs. I cannot for the life of me understand why the first eleven, in view of the manner in which their bowlers have been knocked around this season, do not enlist his services. He bowls fastish-medium, keeps a perfect length and comes off the pitch like lightning. I should say he is the best bowler in the Second Division.

Army, after passing through a lean period, gave the Navy a bit of a shock. Webb and Goodger got going and thanks principally to their efforts, the soldiers made 206.

Patterson and Goodger then tried very hard to get Navy out, but although they had eight wickets down for 107, they were not quite successful in the time available. Clarke and Carless did well to make 37 and 28, respectively.

The match at Sookunpoo between

I.R.C. and C.C.C. was dominated by a fine innings by A. R. Sullad who made 88 not out. I.R.C.'s declaration was left too late, however, and Craigen-gower with eight wickets down for 111, held out.

Omar and Bakar bowled very well for their respective sides and were always difficult to score off.

Police Bid

Police, after an indifferent start, are now making a great effort to win the League. True they were not up against much opposition on Saturday, but they did not make the mistake of approaching their task too lightly.

Carey and Stephens were the chief contributors to their total of 197 and Pope and Heath then put C.S.C.C. out for 89. Fay, for the first time since he started to play fairly regularly, did not meet with very much success.

RUGBY SEVENS CONTINUE TO-DAY

(By "REFEREE")

The four remaining first round fixtures in the Barney Stone Rugby Seven-a-Side Tournament, under the auspices of Hong Kong Football Club, will be held this afternoon on Club's ground at the Valley, commencing at 4.30 p.m.

The opening match of the afternoon between Police "A" and H.M.S. Birmingham, is likely to provide the outstanding match of the tournament despite the fact that this is a first round match.

Police have G. S. Wilson, D. H. Taylor, E. W. Luscombe, H. W. E. Heath, B. C. Fay (a newcomer), L. A. Searle and L. Oakley, a formidable combination, while Birming-

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AT A GLANCE

OPEN SINGLES (1ST ROUND)

W. J. Howard received w.o. from W. A. Land.

Lai Kwong-tsun beat S. A. Gray 6-4, 7-9, 6-0.

Lee Wai-tong beat Y. C. Lau 6-0, 6-1.

Leung Ping-chiu beat Lee Chee-man 6-1, 6-3.

H. D. Rumjahn beat Wong Fuk-nam 6-3, 6-4.

OPEN DOUBLES (1ST ROUND)

Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pui (holders) beat T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould 6-1, 6-1.

E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson beat Pang Oi-lam and Wei Chung 5-7, 6-1, 6-4.

ham have among others Lt. Lewis, who has played for the Navy at Home, Mid. Cleeve and Mid. Collins, both of whom are very strong runners.

ANOTHER GOOD GAME

Royal Engineers, winners of the Army Seven-A-Side tourney, are not likely to have everything their own way against Small Ships, which will probably have the services of P. O. Askwith, of Colony and Navy fame, and Sub. Lt. Ashton, among others. This should also be a game worth watching.

The following is to-day's programme:

H.M.S. Birmingham v. Police "A"

(4.30 p.m.)

R. Engineers v. Small Ships

(4.50 p.m.)

Small Ships "A" v. Best of Club

(5.10 p.m.)

Middlesex v. J. F. Baines

(5.30 p.m.)

J. McNaught Thomson From The Studio

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Richard Tsauber (Tenor) and De Groot & His Orchestras.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Charlie Kunz (Piano) and Sydney Gustard (Organ).
1.30 p.m.—Rector and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Tangos and Waltzes, Cara Mari—Tango (Zalden); Monika—Tango (Kelscher); Barnabas Von Gezy & His Orchestra.
Brigitte—Waltz (Moretti); Cuckoo Waltz (Jonasson); Dajos Bela Dance Orchestra.
The Tango Of My Heart—Tango (Schmidseder); Dreams In Spring—Tango (Blanco); Robert Renard Dance Orchestra.
Espana Waltz (Waldteufel); Throw Open Wide Your Window—Waltz (J. Strauss); Sydney Kyte & His Piccadilly Hotel Band.
La Cancion De La Ribera—Tango....

To-day's Wireless

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Orquesta Tipica Victor.
Y Haces El Novio?—Tango.... Francisco J. Lomuto & His Orquesta Tipica.
Raisins And Almonds—Waltz (Goldfaden—arr. Green); Rehearsing A Lullaby—Waltz (Sigler-Goodhart-Hoffman).... Phil Green & His Rhythm.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Elgar—Symphony No. 1 In A Flat Major, Op. 55. London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Edward Elgar.
6.49 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.51 p.m.—Songs by John McCormick (Tenor).
Loye's Secret (Blake-Bantock); O Gathering Clouds (arr. Bain).... with Piano accomp. by Edwin Schneider.
In Sweet Content (Macdermaid-

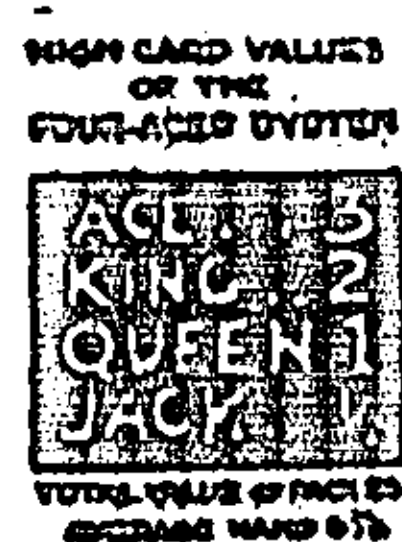
Sanderson); Ever In My Mind (Taylor-Russell).... with Piano accomp. by Percy Kahn.
7.03 p.m.—Marcel Mulo (Saxophone). Le Cygne (Saint-Saens); Variations Sur Malborough (arr. Combelle).... with Piano accomp. by Marcel Gaveau.
Sadko-Chanson Hindoue (Rimsky-Korsakov).... with Piano accomp.
7.12 p.m.—A Programme of Dance Music.
Quickstep—I've Got A Pocketful Of Dreams (film 'Sing you Sinners'); Slow Fox-Trot—It May Be.... Harry Roy & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
Fox-Trots—Laugh And Call It Love (film 'Sing you Sinners'); On The Bumpy Road To Love.... Teddy Wilson & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain by Nan Wynn.
Fox-Trots—I'm Singing A Song For The Old Folks; Smile And Sing Your Cares Away.... The Organ, The Dance Band and Me (Piano).
Waltzes—Colorado Sunset (film same); That Night In Avalon.... Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
Fox-Trots—Love's Old Sweet Melody; Any Broken Hearts To Mend.... The Organ, The Dance Band and Me (Piano).
Slow Fox-Trot—Two Sleepy People (film 'Thanks for the Memory'); Quickstep—Summer's End.... Victor Silvester & His Ballroom Orch.
Fox-Trots—Why Doesn't Somebody Tell Me These Things; Don't Let That Moon Get Away.... Jack Hyton & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
Fox-Trot—This Is Madness.... Russ Morgan & His Orchestra.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Ketelbey—In Holiday Mood Suite, The London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Clifford Greenwood.
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—Empire Exchange. Points of view by travellers from the Dominions & Colonies.
8.30 p.m.—London Relay—'At the Black Dog'. Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by S. E. Reynolds and Pascoe Thornton.
9 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Captain J. McNaught Thomson (Baritone) with Piano accomp. by Nura Kanis.
1. Melisande in the Wood (Alma Goetz).
2. Far and High the Cranes give cry (Korhay).
3. Woo thou thy snowflake (Sullivan).
4. My Journey's End (Reginald Morgan).
5. Allah be with us (Woodforde-Finden).
6. Tommy Lad (Margtson).
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.
Belphegor—Quick March (Brep-sant); Coronation March and Hymn (Sir Edward German—arr. Dan Godfrey); The Guards Partol Williams).... conducted by Major George Miller).
10 p.m.—London Relay—'Norway'. A programme which traces Norse influence on the North of England from the Vikings to the present day, including a picture of the modern Norwegian scene specially relayed from Oslo by the Norsk Rikskasting.
11 p.m.—Close down.



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YESTERDAY'S PROBLEM SOLVED

David Bruce Burnstone was your partner yesterday. You held:

Δ A K 10 8 6
♥ K K
♦ K K K
♣ K K K

You were vulnerable and the bidding went:

Declarer	Partner	Opp	Opp
10	Pass	1Δ	Pass
INT	Pass	(f)	

ANSWER: Raise to three notrump. In view of your partner's jump two-notrump bid your hand is well worth another bid. A bid of three spades would indicate that you have an unbalanced hand and distinctly prefer spades to notrump.

Score 100% for three notrump, 60% for three spades, 0 for pass.

Question No. 42.

You are Oswald Jacoby's partner and hold:

Δ —
♥ K Q 10 8 K K K
♦ J K K
♣ K K K

Both sides are vulnerable and the bidding goes:

Jacoby	Schenken	You	Maier
1NT	Pass	(f)	

What do you bid? (Answer Monday.)

TODAY'S HAND

Match Point Duplicate
South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

South	West	North	East
Δ 7 3	Δ K J 9 6	Δ J 10 8	Δ 6 5
♥ K J 9 6	♥ K 9 8 2	♥ 7 5	♥ 4
♦ K 9 8 2	♦ 7 5	♦ 4	♦ 3
♣ 8 4 1	♣ 8 4 1	♣ 8 4 1	♣ 8 4 1

Δ 4
♥ A Q 10 8 6 3
♦ A 10 8 7 3
♣ 6

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	1Δ	Pass
2♥	Pass	2Δ	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	5NT	Pass

Large penalties abounded on this hand, played in a Duplicate game, for both North and South held two-suit hands; and since each felt that one of his own suits should be declared trump, the bidding quickly reached the four zone. Only one North player resigned himself to the fact that the hands were a total misfit and allowed his partner to play a contract of three hearts. This contract was set only one trick and the pair received a cold top score.

On the bidding shown above East was quick to recognize the fact that his opponents were in trouble. He had the black suits well under control and felt that his partner could probably take care of the two red suits. Hence, his double of three notrump. When South rescued himself to four hearts, West promptly doubled and then made the killing opening of a club, East winning and returning a trump.

The hapless Declarer was able to discard two of his diamonds on dummy's top spades, but this helped very little since he still had to lose two diamonds tricks plus three trump tricks and a club.

We believe the heavy penalty suffered was almost entirely the fault of North. He should have known that his partner held at least ten cards in the red suits and since he held but three cards of these suits, we believe he should have dropped the bidding and avoided the disaster that ensued.

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What's On At the Cinemas

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AT THE ORIENTAL — "White Banners". Another powerful down-to-earth drama by the author of "Magnificent Obsession" and "Green Light". With Brilliant cast headed by Claude Rains, Bonita Granville, Jackie Cooper and Fay Bainter in a role that puts her in line for the Academy Award of 1938.

AT THE QUEEN'S — "The Great Waltz". With Luise Rainer, Fernand Gravet, Miliza Korjus. Romantic Vienna of the days of Franz Josef, the

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Lady Northcote has kindly consented to distribute the prizes on Thursday, the 9th March at 5.30 p.m.

Prizewinners are requested to attend in person to receive their prizes.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on SATURDAY, 18th March, 1939 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 9th March, 1939.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 6th March, 1939.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, 27th. March, 1939, at NOON for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st. December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th. to 27th. March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. COCK,
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Hong Kong, 1st. March, 1939.

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The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 25th. February to 9th. March, 1939, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
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Agents.
Hong Kong, 16th. February, 1939.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 24th March 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March 1939, both days inclusive.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.
Hong Kong, 4th March, 1939.

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FRANCO NOT LISTENING TO PEACE TALK

Burgos, To-day.

Events in Madrid will fail to get General Franco to modify his standpoint in any way whatsoever.

This at least is the view expressed with great insistence by National Spanish quarters.

The preparations for a resumption of military operations are proceeding without regard to the happenings in the Republican zone. It is already apparent that the declarations made by General Miaja as well as the broadcast appeal of General Casado and Senor Besteiro in which mention is made of an honourable and equitable peace have fallen on deaf ears.

The National Government it is stressed has adopted an attitude which does not allow any Republican Government the slightest chance of hoping for mediation in the Spanish civil war. The National Government will neither enter into negotiations nor consider any suggestion of a compromise.

Madrid will be occupied by General Franco's forces and all efforts of the newly formed Madrid Defence Committee to talk peace will continue to fail until the Republicans speak of unconditional capitulation. — Trans-Ocean.

NEW RUMANIAN PREMIER

Paris, To-day.

Great satisfaction prevails in political circles here at the appointment of M. Calinescu to succeed Patriarch Miron Christea as Rumanian Premier.

M. Calinescu's energetic action against the Iron Guard has met with great approval and it is also stressed that the new Premier is a sincere friend of France.

It is moreover, pointed out that owing to the late Patriarch's health, M. Calinescu has already for some time past been the virtual head of the Rumanian Government. — Trans-Ocean.

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RECORD FLIGHT

Rome, To-day.

An Italian journalist, Signor Luadi, of the Turin paper "Stamp" covered the 5,000 kilometre distance from Rome to Addis Ababa in the record flying time of eleven hours, according to a message received by the "Giornale d'Italia." — Trans-Ocean.

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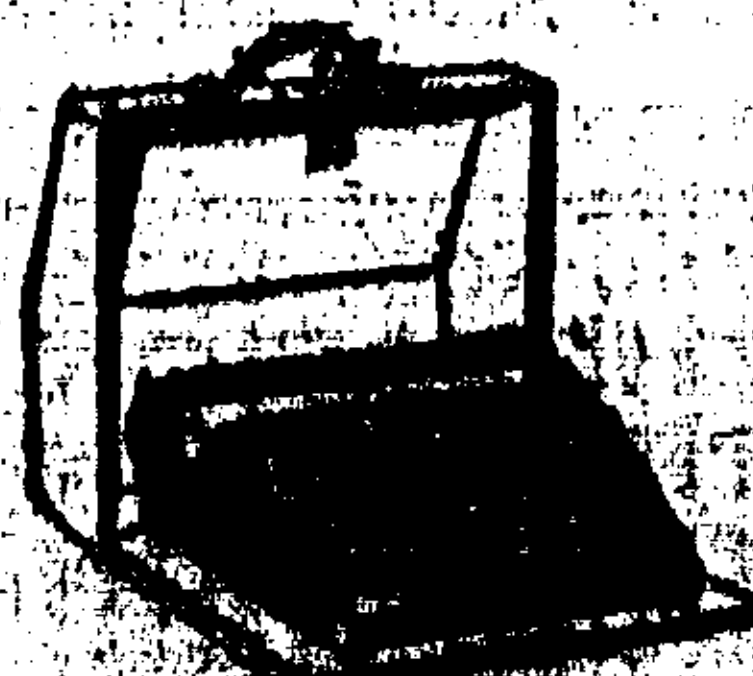
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